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At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 18, 1936,

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting recently held in New Bedford report that all but one were in attendance.

The committee on nominations made a report which was accepted, and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Robert A. Gifford
Alice A. Macomber
Edward L. Macomber

To have care of Meeting House and Burial Grounds:
Robert A. Gifford
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Parsonage Committee
Abram J. Potter
Eugenie M. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Statistics	Hattie F. Macomber Ada S. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Abram J. Potter	Elizabeth A. Davis
Dorothy M. Smith	Inez Potter
Charles A. Brightman	Ruth L. Howland

We are informed that the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has approved the nomination of Earl H. Wood as an Elder of our meeting for the three years beginning First Month 1936; and he is hereby appointed an Elder for the term of three years beginning First Month 1936, or until another appointment.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 15, 1936,

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the Sunday School has elected the following persons as members of the Community House Governing Board:

Senior members	Junior members
Nason R. Macomber	Omar Brightman
Maud P. Brownell	Alexander Tripp

The subject of the Junior League was discussed and it was decided to discontinue these meetings for the present.

A letter from James A. Coney, Yearly Meeting Superintendent, was read.

Mr. Vosburg informs us that Olive M. White has requested membership in our meeting. We approve the request, and she is accepted as a member with us.

Our treasurer is directed to forward $15. to to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer as our contribution to the current budget; $10.00 to be taken from the Mary S. Macomber fund, for general expenses; and $5.00 from the Olive Macomber fund, for Western Indians.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 21, 1936,

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries have been read and we appoint Elizabeth A. Davis, Elizabeth S. Macomber, and Frances A. Howland as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

The statistical committee presented the following report which is satisfactory, viz:

To Westport Monthly Meeting:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1935. Births 1; Deaths 3; Removals into 0; Removals from 0, Released by letter 0; Discontinued by request 0, Received by request 1; Received by letter 1; Total number of members 64; namely:

Borden Hazel V. (Asso.)
Brightman Charles A.
Brightman Mildred A.
Brightman Barbara
Brightman Louise B. (Asso.)
Brightman Lloyd A. "

Cook Abraham S.
Cook Annie M.
Cook Edward A.
Cook Alberta D.
Cook Peter G. (Asso.)
Cook Edward A. Jr. (Asso.)*
Crosby Mabel V.V.

Davis Benjamin A.
Davis Elizabeth A.
Davis Marian L.
Davis Henry E.
Davis Myra K.
Davis Ina M.

*Born and deceased during year.

Gifford Charles H.
Gifford Robert A.
Gifford Eugenie M.
Gifford Stanley E.
Gifford Mary E. (Asso.)
Gifford Sara A.

Howland Frances A.
Howland Ruth L.

Macomber Edward L.
Macomber Ada S.
Macomber Elizabeth S.
Macomber John A.
Macomber Eleanor R.
Macomber Margaret A. (Asso.)
Macomber Hattie F.
Macomber Alice A.
Macomber Mabel E.
Macomber Marianna

Pettey Mary S.
Pettey Florence M.
Pettey Everett H. (Asso.)
Pettey Lois H. (Asso.)
Potter Abram J.
Potter Lynwood F (Asso.)
Potter Inez

Reynolds Ethel M.

Shaw Louise B.
Shurtleff Eleanor R.
Shurtleff Richard E. (Asso.)
Shurtleff Grover L. "
Smith Dorothy M.
Steinmetz Virginia C.
Samson Esther S. (Asso.)

Taber Cora
Tilton Verna A. (Asso.)
Totah Khalil A.

Weston, Evelyn E.
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood Annie L.
Wood Earle H.
Wood Ruth A.
Wood Raymond A.
Wood Harold S. (Asso.)
Wood Russell G. "
Wood Emma E.
Woodcock Louetta

Hattie F. Macomber } Statistical
Ada S. Macomber } Committee

A statistical report for the Quarterly Meeting was also approved.

An appeal from the Yearly Meeting Finance Committee requesting contributions to the United Budget was read and discussed.

Mr. Vosburg was authorized to secure envelopes and arrange for an Easter appeal for contributions for our local work, to be made by letter or otherwise as may seem most advisable.

Mr. Vosburg informed us that he expected to be ordained on April 5 and was granted a leave of absence for that day.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 18, 1936.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford report that only one was in attendance. Excuses were presented for the absence of the other two.

Our treasurer is authorized to pay necessary expenses incurred in connection with our Easter appeal for funds.

Edward L. Macomber reported certain work done at the parsonage.

Mr. Vosburg, Elizabeth S. Macomber, and Inez Potter were appointed a budget committee to present a plan at our next meeting.

Mr. Vosburg also reported on proposed special evening meetings and it was decided to postpone action until Fall.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 16, 1936

Edward L. Macomber reported that our Easter appeal for contributions met with a good response.

The budget committee made a partial report. They are requested to make further study, also to meet with the Finance Committee, and bring in a more complete report at a later date.

We direct the Clerk to engage Elden H. Mills to attend our meetings on Eighth month 16th and 23d.

We are glad to allow the use of our Meeting House, Community House, and Grounds for the proposed sessions of a Westport Daily Vacation Bible School to be held this summer.

Mr. Vosburg has requested that he be released from attendance at our services on Sunday June 28, in order to attend a conference in Detroit. We unite in granting the request.

We adjourn to meet at the request of the Budget Committee, in case it seems to them desirable that we meet before our usual time in Sixth Month.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 20, 1936

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Reading of the Queries was omitted.

We appoint Barbara Brightman, Ruth L. Howland, and Mabel E. Macomber as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

The Budget Committee presented a report: We approve the recommendation for an every member canvass and also that special effort be made to increase church attendance. Other suggestions may be tried at a future time.

We approve the omission of our regular meeting and Bible School on Sunday, June 28, on account of our Yearly Meeting sessions at Ocean Park, Maine.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 18, 1936.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth report that all were in attendance.

The Budget Committee reported progress and a form of letter requesting contributions was approved.

The meeting then adjourned.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 15, 1936.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A letter relative to the proposed World Conference of Friends to be held at Swarthmore and Haverford Colleges in 1937 was read.

On Seventh Month 20th Mr. Vosburg severed his connection with our meeting. Since that time we have been favored with the services of Elden H. Mills and Basil D. Hall.

A successful Daily Vacation Bible School, similar to the one held last year but with an increased attendance, was held in our buildings and the Grange Hall. It was well supported by the Protestant Bible Schools of the town.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth month 19, 1936.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed by the Clerk of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that it is concluded to raise $450. for the use of that meeting this year, and that our proportion is six per cent or $27. which our treasurer is directed to pay at the usual times.

We have received from the Westport Section of the Fall River Sunday School Association, a letter of thanks for the use of our Meeting House and Community House during the recent sessions of their Daily Vacation Bible School.

Copies of the minutes of our Yearly Meeting have been received and widely distributed.

We were especially favored in having Dean Robert R. Wicks of Princeton University in attendance at one of our regular services last month.

We appoint Olive M. White, Frances A. Howland, and Evelyn E. Weston as our representatives to our Quarterly Meeting which convenes at Sandwich next month.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 17, 1936.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A notice was received and read inviting Friends to a Yearly Meeting Workers' conference to be held in Providence, Rhode Island on the 11th and 12th of next month.

A letter from Rev. Robert R. Wicks of Princeton was read at this time.

We are informed by the Pastoral Committee that Howard E. Pettit of Ohio, a student at Boston University School of Theology, has been engaged as our pastor for the coming year.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th Month 21st. 1936.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber a committee to send Christmas Greeting cards to our non resident members and draw upon the treasurer for the necessary expense incurred.

The work of the church was given serious consideration at this time.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber.
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 19, 1936.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Ada S. Macomber, Abram J. Potter and Olive M. White as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber and Abram J. Potter as a committee to propose names of Friends to fill our annual appointments and report next month.

We appoint Edward L. Macomber a committee to co-operate with a similar committee from the meeting on Ministry and Oversight to propose to this meeting a friend to serve as an elder for the three years beginning First Month, 1st 1937.

The joint committee referred to in the last preceding minute report that they are united in proposing the name of Hattie T. Macomber as an Elder of this meeting for the three years beginning First Month 1st 1937, and our clerk is directed to forward this nomination to the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Alice A. Macomber reports that some Christmas Cards have already been mailed and that others will be mailed in the near future.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 16, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has approved the nomination of Hattie T. Macomber as an Elder of this meeting for the three years beginning First Month 1st 1937 and she is accordingly appointed to that station for the time designated and until another appointment.

The committee on nominations, not being ready to report at this time is continued for another month.

Our Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay $4.75 for glasses for a needy child (Irving Tripp) and to take this amount from the Olive Macomber fund.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 20, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The committee on nominations requested that they be given another month and the request was united with

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 20, 1937.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The committee on nominations presented their report and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber

Overseers and Board of Trustees	Robert A. Gifford Alice A. Macomber Edward L. Macomber

To have care of Meeting House and Burial Grounds:-

Robert A. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber
Mary S. Fettey

Finance Committee
- Dorothy M. Smith
- Abram J. Potter
- Earl H. Wood
- Inez M. Davis

Auditors
- Earl H. Wood
- Charles A. Brightman

Parsonage Committee
- Abram J. Potter
- Eugenie M. Gifford
- Edward L. Macomber

Statistical Committee
- Hattie F. Macomber
- Ada S. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Abram J. Potter	Elizabeth A. Davis
Dorothy M. Smith	Inez Potter
Charles A. Brightman	Ruth L. Howland

Hattie F. Macomber, Mary S. Pittey and Ada S. Macomber were appointed as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at New Bedford next month.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 17 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives appointed to attend the recent Quarterly Meeting held in New Bedford, report that all were in attendance

The committee on statistics presented the following report which was accepted, viz:

To Westport Monthly Meeting:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1936. Births 0; Deaths 0; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinued by request 0. Received by request 1, Received by letter 0; Total number of members 65 namely:

Borden, Hazel V. (Asso.)

Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Barbara A.
Brightman, Louise D. (Asso.)
Brightman, Lloyd A. (Asso.)

Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Annie M.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Asso.)

Crosby, Mabel V. V.

Davis, Benjamin A.
Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Marian L.
Davis, Henry E.
Davis, Myra K.
Davis, Ina M.

Gifford, Charles H.
Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Mary E. (Asso.)
Gifford, Sara A.

Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Lawton, Florence M.
Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Eleanor K.
Macomber, Margaret A. Eng.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna

Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Asso.)
Pettey, Lois H. (Asso.)

Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Asso.)
Potter, Inez

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.

Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Asso.)
Shurtleff, Grover L. (Asso.)

Smith, Dorothy M.

Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Samson, Esther S. (Asso.)

Taber, Cora

Tilton, Verna A (Asso.)

Totah, Khalil A.

Weston, Evelyn E.

White, Olive M.

Wing, Mary E.L.

Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Ruth A.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Asso.)
Wood, Russell G. (Asso.)
Wood, Emma C.

Woodcock, Louetta

Hattie F. Macomber } Statistical
Ada S. Macomber } Committee

The Treasurer is authorized to send to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer $20. for the United Budget ($10. from the Mary S. Macomber fund and $10. from the Olive Macomber Fund, the latter amount to be for Western Indian Work). Also the Treasure is authorized to draw $5 from the Olive Macomber fund for local charities.

The business of the Meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 15, 1937.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported that $15. had been received from the Town for one years use of a section of our shed.

The matter of shingling the parsonage was discussed and the Committee was requested to attend to it as soon as possible.

A letter relative to the coming World Conference of Friends was read, and also a letter urging attendence of Young people and others at our coming Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park. We disapprove the suggestion contained in the Yearly Meeting letter in which children are urged to disregard attendance at their public schools in cases where such attendance would interfere with their being at Yearly Meeting.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth month 19, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries were read.

We appoint Sara A. Gifford and Mabel E. Macomber as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

We approve the omission of our regular services on Sunday, Sixth Month 27th, in order to give our members an opportunity to attend the Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park, Maine.

The business of the meeting being finished, we, adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 17, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that all representatives to the recent Quarterly Meeting were in attendance.

We are informed by the Assistant Clerk of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that it is decided to raise $450. for the use of that meeting this year and that our proportion of this amount is six per cent ($27.00) which our treasurer is hereby directed to pay the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting in the usual manner.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 21, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that copies of the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting have been received and distributed among our members and some others.

James Wilcock Jr. requests membership with us and has presented a letter from the Pacific Union Congregational Church of Westport recommending him to our care and fellowship.

The request is approved and we hereby accept James Wilcock, Jr. into membership with us and our Clerk is directed to so inform him and also the Pacific Union Congregational Church.

Mr. Pettit is appointed to arrange for a public expression of our welcome to Mr. Wilcox at the close of our meeting for worship next Sunday.

Edward L. Macomber reported that the shingling of the Parsonage is completed.

The matter of the Regional Friends Conference to be held at Providence, Rhode Island was discussed and we agreed it is desirable for us to plan to attend the conference on Sunday, Sept. 13, if we are assured that a suitable program is being planned for the children.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 18, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Annie M. Cook, Edward L. Macomber and Ruth L. Howland as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich next Month.

We approve using income from the Benjamin Kirby and Horatio Howard bequests towards the expense of shingling the parsonage.

We approve painting the front hall at the parsonage.

About thirty-five persons from our meeting and Bible School attended the Regional Conference at Moses Brown School Providence following the World Friends Conference recently held at Swarthmore, Pa.

Plans for Fall work with our Young People were discussed.

The business coming before us being finished, we conclude.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth month 16, 1937.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich report that they attended with one exception.

Edward L. Macomber reported that the painting of the Front Hall at the Parsonage has been completed.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber, a committee to send Christmas greeting cards to our non-resident members and draw upon the treasury for the necessary expense incurred.

Mr. Pettit reported that one meeting of the Young People's group had been held and that he thought the plan might work out successfully.

We approve the purchase of two copies of the report of the Friends' World Conference.

The meeting then adjourned.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 20, 1937.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Alice A. Macomber informed the meeting that she has ordered two copies of the Report of the Friends' World Conference.

A letter from A. Edward Kelsey requesting financial support for the work of the Mass. Anti-Saloon League was read.

We authorise our treasurer to forward to George W. Wolkins, Yearly Meeting Treasurer, a contribution of $2.00 to be forwarded by him to the Massachusetts Anti-Saloon League for their work.

We approve making a contribution of $3.00 from the Olive Macomber Fund for China Child Welfare Inc.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 18, 1937.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Mabel E. Macomber, John A. Macomber, and Mildred A. Brightman as our representatives to attend the coming session of the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New-Bedford.

Mabel E. Macomber is appointed a committee to co-operate with a similar committee from the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight in proposing an elder for the term of three years.

The joint committee above referred to report that they are united in proposing the name of Annie M. Cook as an elder of this meeting for the three years beginning First Month 1938, with which we are fully united and the Clerk is directed to forward this information to the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Alice A. Macomber reported that some Christmas Greeting cards have been sent out and that others will soon be sent.

Alice A. Macomber and Abram J. Potter are appointed a committee to propose names of Friends to fill our annual appointments and report next Month.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 15, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that all of our representatives to the recent Quarterly Meeting held in New Bedford were in attendance.

The committee on nominations presented their report which, after consideration was accepted with a few alterations and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: - Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Marian L. Davis

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Alice A. Macomber
Robert A. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds
Robert A. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber
Mary S. Pettey

Finance Committee
Dorothy M. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Earl H. Wood
Ina M. Davis
James Wilcock Jr.

Auditors
Earl H. Wood
Charles A. Brightman

Parsonage Committee
Abram J. Potter
Eugenie M. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber

Statistical Committee
Hattie F. Macomber
Ada S. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Abram J. Potter	Ruth L. Howland
Dorothy M. Smith	Elizabeth A. Davis
Charles A. Brightman	Inez Potter Gifford

The business of the Meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 19th 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the Sunday School has elected Kate Macomber and Milton E. Earle as Senior Members of the Community House Governing Board and Virginia Tripp and Elbert Brownell as Junior Members.

The above action is hereby approved by this meeting.

We are informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has approved our nomination of Annie M. Cook as an Elder for three years and she is hereby appointed to that station for the three years beginning First Month 1938 or until another appointment.

We suggest to the Committee in charge of our Meeting House and Grounds that some necessary clearing be done in the rear portion of the Meeting House yard.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 19, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read.

Frances Howland, Mildred A. Brightman and John A. Macomber were appointed as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at New Bedford next month.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer the sum of $20. for the United Budget; $10 to be taken from the Mary S. Macomber Fund; $5. (designated for Western Indians) to be taken from the Olive Macomber Fund and $5. to be taken from current funds in the treasury.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 16, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting held in New Bedford on the 9th instant report that all attended.

The statistical committee presented the following report which is satisfactory, viz:

To Westport Monthly Meeting:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1937. Births 0; Deaths 1; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinued by request 0; Received by request 0. Received by letter 1; Total number of members 65 namely:

Borden, Hazel V. (Asso)

Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Barbara
Brightman, Louise B. (Asso)
Brightman, Lloyd A. (Asso)

Carpenter, Mary E. (Asso)

Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Annie M.
Cook, Edward A.

Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Asso.)

Crosby, Mabel V. V.

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Marian L.
Davis, Henry E.
Davis, Myra K.
Davis, Ina M.

Gifford, Charles H.
Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sara A.

Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Lawton, Florence M.

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Eleanor R.
Macomber, Margaret A. (Asso)
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna

Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Asso.)
Pettey, Lois H. (Asso.)

Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Asso.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.

Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Asso.)
Shurtleff, Grover L. (Asso.)

Smith, Dorothy M.

Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Samson, Esther S. (Asso.)

Taber, Cora

Tilton, Verna A. (Asso.

Totah, Khalil A.

Weston, Evelyn E.

White, Olive M.

Wilcock, James Jr.

Wing, Mary E. L.

Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Ruth A.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Asso.)
Wood, Russell G. (Asso.)
Wood, Emma E.

Woodcock, Louetta

Hattie F. Macomber } Statistical
Ada S. Macomber } Committee

We have been informed of the substance

of a letter sent to absent members requesting contributions for repairs on the church.

Edward L. Macomber, Mary Davis, Mabel E. Macomber, Nason R. Macomber, and Charles A. Brightman are appointed a committee to have charge of painting and redecorating the Meeting House.

The business of the meeting being completed, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 21, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the special contributions for Meeting House repairs amount to over $150,

We have received notices of the Yearly Meeting sessions to be held June 21 to 26, 1938, and also a letter stating arrangements for young friends.

We authorize the Committee on care of Meeting House and Grounds to engage Andrew A. Taber to shingle the north roof of the Meeting House.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 18, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries were read and we appoint Mabel E. Macomber, Frances A. Howland, and Edward L. Macomber as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

We are informed that Andrew A. Taber has been engaged to do the shingling on the Meeting House.

Howard Pettit who has been acting as our pastor scince 1936 left for his home in Ohio at the close of the school year at Boston University School of Theology.

We approve omitting our regular servic on Sunday June 26 to accommodate those of our members who desire to be in attendance at our Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park, Maine.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 16, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth report that all attended.

The committee in charge of the Meeting House reported that the shingling of the north roof has been completed.

We are informed that a W.P.A. project has seeded and fertilized the Cemetery at George H. Gifford's Corner.

A vacation Bible School under the auspices of the Westport Sunday School Association is being held on our premises and at Grange Hall, as for several years past.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held Eighth Month 20, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed by the acting Clerk of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that it is decided to raise the sum of $450 for the use of that meeting for the current year, and that our proportion is 6% or $27 which our Treasurer is directed to forward to the Treasurer of the Quarterly Meeting in the usual manner.

During the summer we have been favored in having the following persons in attendance at one or more of our Sunday services: Eldon H. Mills, Dr. Linfield of Boston University, Rev. O. E. Crain of Brockton, James A. Coney, and we expect to have Dean Wicks of Princeton and Rev. Basil Hall of Northampton in the near future.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth month 17, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read and we appoint Evelyn E. Weston, Mildred A. Brightman, and Mary S. Petty as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich in 10th month next.

The choice of a permanent minister has not been settled but we expect to make a definite selection soon.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth month 15, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the recent Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich report that all attended.

We are informed by the Pastoral Committee that Stanley H. Martin of Quincy Ill. a student of Boston University School of Theology has been engaged to serve as our pastor for the coming year.

The recent hurricane on Ninth month 21st did considerable damage to the windows and blinds on our Meeting House, most of which has now been repaired. The easterly end of our shed was blown completely off and several trees in the yard were blown down. Fortunately, the injury to the buildings was of a minor nature.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh month 19, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treas. is authorized to make a contribution of $2.50 from the Olive Macomber Fund to China Child Welfare Inc. and $2.50 for relief of Christian German Refugees.

Edward L. Macomber reported that painting of the Meeting House interior would probably be begun very shortly.

Alice A. Macomber is authorized to send greeting cards to non-resident members and draw on the treasurer for the expense incurred.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth month 17, 1938.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read.

We appoint Francis A. Howland, Louise B. Brightman and Ruth L. Howland as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at New Bedford next month.

Alice A. Macomber reported that she has sent out Christmas Greeting Cards and letters of thanks as directed.

We appoint Marianna Macomber a committee to co-perate with a similar committee of the meeting on Ministry and Oversight in proposing an elder for the 3 years beginning 1st month 1939.

The joint Committee propose Earl H. Wood as Elder for the term of three years.

Alice A. Macomber and Abram J. Potter are appointed to present to our next meeting the names of Friends to fill our annual appointments.

Edward L. Macomber reported that the painting of the interior of the Meeting House is completed.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First month 21, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford report that all attended.

The committee on nominations presented a report which is satisfactory and the following persons are hereby authorized to fill the several positions to which they are appointed for the balance of the present calendar year or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Alice A. Macomber
Robert A. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber

Finance Committee
Dorothy M. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Earl H. Wood
Ina M. Davis
James Wilcock Jr.

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds
Robert A. Gifford
Edward L. Macomber
May S. Petty

Auditors
Earl H. Wood
Charles A. Brightman

Parsonage Committee	Abram J. Potter Eugenie M. Gifford Edward L. Macomber
Statistical Committee	Hattie F. Macomber Ada S. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Abram J. Potter	Ruth L. Howland
Frances A. Howland	Elizabeth A. Davis
Charles A. Brightman	Inez Potter Gifford

We are informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight has approved the nomination of Earl H. Wood as an Elder of this meeting for the 3 years beginning First month 1939, and he is hereby appointed to that station for the three years beginning First month 1939 or until another appointment.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second month 18 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the expense incurred for shades and drapes for the Meeting House amounting to $9.25 has been provided for by various gifts and a contribution from the Sunday School.

A suggestion that the Shed Roof in the Meeting House yard be repaired is approved and Mabel E. Macomber is authorized to procure estimates of its probable cost.

A letter from Earl H. Wood was read.

We hereby authorize our treasurer to pay to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer the sum of $20. for the 1938-1939 Budget of which amount $5 is to be paid from the Olive Macomber Fund and designated for Western Indians and $5. is to be paid from the Mary S. Macomber Fund.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3d mo. 18, 1939

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Charles A. Brightman, John A. Macomber and Annie M. Cook were appointed representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month

Consideration of repairs on the shed were discussed and the matter was continued for further action.

Alice A. Macomber & Mr. Martin were authorized to draft and forward a letter to non resident members.

The report of the Statistical Committee was read and approved.

To Westport Monthly Meeting:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1938. Births 0; Deaths 1; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinued by request 0; Received by letter 0; Total number of members 64 namely:

Borden, Hazel V. (Asso)

Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Barbara
Brightman, Louise B. (Asso)
Brightman, Lloyd A. (Asso.)

Carpenter, Mary E. (Asso.)

Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Annie M.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Asso.)

Crosby, Mabel V.V.

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Marian L.
Davis, Myra K.
Davis, Ina M.

Gifford, Charles H.
Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sara A.

Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Lawton, Florence M.

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Eleanor R.

Macomber, Margaret A. (Asso
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna

Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Asso.)
Pettey, Lois H. (Asso.)

Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Asso.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.

Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Asso.)
Shurtleff, Grover L. (Asso.)

Smith Dorothy M.

Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Samson, Esther S. (Asso.)

Taber Cora

Tilton, Verna A. (Asso.)

Totah, Khalil A.

Tripp, Ruth A.

Weston, Evelyn E.

White, Olive M.

Wilcock, James Jr.

Wing, Mary E. L.

Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H
Wood Raymond A.

Wood, Harold S. (Asso.)
Wood, Russell G. (Asso.)
Wood, Emma E.

Woodcock, Louetta

Hattie F. Macomber } Statistical
Ada S. Macomber } Committee.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 15th, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that all representatives to the recent Quarterly Meeting were in attendance.

Application for membership has been received on behalf of Harwood S. Mosher, Julia B. Mosher and Sherman Mosher. We appoint Mr. Martin to interview these persons and report to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 20, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Martin reported that he had visited the Mosher family and approved of our acceptance of Harwood, Julia and

Sherman Mosher as members.

He also presented an application on behalf of Phyllis Brightman for membership. We approve acceptance of all these as members.

Albert Scott who was in attendance presented the cause of peace and appealed for support for the approaching Wellesly Institute.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth month 17th 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries were read and we appoint Sarah A. Gifford, Mildred A. Brightman and Mabel E. Macomber as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

We approve omitting our regular services on Sunday June 25th to accomodate those of our members who desire to attend our Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park Maine.

Arrangements have been made for James A. Coney and two students from Boston University to attend our meeting during the absence of Mr. Martin.

James A. Coney is very acceptably in attendance at our meeting.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 15th, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting held at West Falmouth report that all attended.

We are informed that the painting of the trimmings of the Parsonge has been completed at a cost of $36.80. The treasurer is authorized to draw $15. from the Mary S. Macomber Fund and $15. from the Lydia M. Webster fund towards payment of this bill.

Plans for a canvas of the membership in a drive for funds for regular church expenses were discussed.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 19, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A request of Edward and Alberta Cook for associate membership of Deborah Cook was approved.

A request of membership of Virginia R. Borden for membership was presented. We are united in accepting her as an associate member.

We approve cleaning stones in grave yard at cost not exceeding $20.

Painting of the Meeting House was discussed and the Committee on Grounds was requested to get an estimate of the probable cost.

Adjourned to call of Clerk to meet on Tuesday evening of next week if a meeting seems advisable.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth month 16th. 1939.

Met on the above date and adjourned to meet Ninth month 23d at 7 P.M.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends Ninth month 23, 1939 met agreeable to adjournment.

The minutes of the meeting held Eighth month 19th were read and approved.

We appoint Mildred A. Brightman, Mary S. Petty and Alice A. Macomber as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sandwich in Tenth mont

Report of painting was made that one bid had been received.

A letter of thanks from the Westport Section of the Fall River District Sunday School Association for the use of our Meeting House for the Daily Vacation Bible School was read.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth month 21, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich report that all attended.

A report relative to painting the

meeting house was made and considered.

We are informed by Mr. Martin that Grover L. Shurtleff, an associate member, is considering uniting with the Catholic Church and requests being released from membership with us. We are united in granting this request.

Mr. Martin on behalf of the Pastoral Committee recommended transfer of the following persons from the associate to the active list of members:— Louise B. Brightman, Lloyd A. Brightman, Margaret A. Macomber, and Lois H. Pettey. We approve the recommendation and these persons are hereby transferred from associate to active members.

Maud L. Brownell a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Westport Point requests membership with us and we accept her into full membership on receipt of a certificate of transfer from the Westport Point Church.

The Pastoral Committee also recommended the following persons as active and associate members, all of whom are accepted into membership at this time:

Active Members {
Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
Virginia R. Tripp
Gloria F. Tripp

Associate Members {
William F. Harticon Jr.
Elbert R. Brownell
Robert Mulligan.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 18th 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Elvira O. Chichester a member of the First Congregational Christian Church of Winchester, Virginia, requests membership with us and we are united in receiving her into membership on receipt of a certificate of transfer from said Congregational-Christian Church.

Arthur V. Tripp Jr. is added to the Committee on Meeting House and Grounds for the purpose of contracting for the Painting and Repairs of the Meeting House and this committee is hereby given full power to act in the matter.

Alice A. Macomber is appointed a committee to send greeting cards to our non-resident members.

We authorize Mr. Martin to secure a supply of contribution envelopes for new members and others.

Mabel E. Macomber and Lois H. Pettey are appointed a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments and report next month.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 16, 1939.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Elvira O. Chichester, Gloria F. Tripp and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held at New Bedford next month.

Alice A. Macomber is appointed a committe to co-operate with a similar committee of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to propose an elder for the three years beginning First Month 1940.

The joint committee above referred to report that they are united in proposing the name of Hattie F. Macomber as an elder for three years.

We request the clerk to convey our thanks to the Trustees of the Obadiah Brown Benevolent Fund for the copies of the Discipline which they purchased for the meeting.

The committee on nominations not being ready to report at this time, they are continued until next month.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 20th, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the recent Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford report that all attended.

The committee on nominations presented a report which is approved with the addition of Elvira O. Chichester as a member of the Finance Committee and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Alice A. Macomber
Charles A. Brightman
Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds
Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
Mary S. Pettey
Edward L. Macomber

Finance Committee
Dorothy M. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Virginia R. Tripp
Alice A. Macomber
Maud P. Brownell
Elvira O. Chichester

Parsonage Committee
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee
Hattie F. Macomber
Lois H. Pettey
Edward L. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Charles A. Brightman	Gloria F. Tripp
Ruth L. Howland	Lloyd A. Brightman
Inez Gifford	Robert Mulligan

Mr. Martin asked for permission to be released from service on Febuary 18th in order for him to attend the New England Methodist Student Conference. The meeting was united in granting the request and it is suggested that James A. Coney be invited to attend our meeting in Mr. Martin's absence.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 17th 1940.

The meeting adjourned to meet Second Month 24th 1940.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held by adjournment Second Month 24th 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the Village Players have contributed $10. towards the painting fund.

We are united in having a special Easter drive for the painting and repairs of the Meeting House.

We direct the Treasurer to pay $20. for the United Budget, $10 from the general treasury, $5 from the Mary S. Macomber Fund and $5, from the Olive Macomber Fund, the latter sum to be expended for work among Western Indians.

The grounds committee are requested to ask Mr. Haskell, Highway Surveyor, to furnish crushed stone for the drives in the Church Yard, and Mr. Martin is added to work with the committee on grounds for this particular project.

We are informed that about thirty of our young people recently visited the African M.E. Church in New Bedford.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 16, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read.

We appoint Lois H. Pettey, Virginia R. Tripp and Ruth L. Howland as our Representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

The committee in charge of painting and repairs reported that the work was progressing.

A proposal was made that we have a sunrise service on Easter Morning. This was united with and we suggest that a committee from the Sunday School be appointed to carry out the project.

Mr. Martin mentioned names of several young people as possible members. After some discusion it was decided to continue the matter to an adjourment of this meeting to be called by the Clerk.

A proposed letter requesting gifts for an Easter offering was read and approved.

Adjourned to call of Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held by adjournment Third Month 17th, 1940.

The meeting was called by the Clerk.

Mr. Martin proposed the following persons as Associate Members.

Imogene Brownell
Grace Kirby
Thais E. Wood
Marylyn Wood
Carolyn Columbia
Belle T. Oliver
Harriet Oliver

Edith Manchester.

After consideration we are united in accepting them into membership.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 20, 1940.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The committee in charge reported progress of preliminary repairs on Meeting House.

Report of the Statistical Committee was read and approved.

To Westport Monthly Meeting.

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1939. Births 1; Deaths 2; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinued by request 1; Received by request 11; Received by letter 2. Total number of members 75, namely:

Borden Hazel V. (Asso.)
Brownell Elbert R. (Asso.)
Brownell Maud P.
Brightman Charles A.
Brightman Mildred A.
Brightman Barbara
Brightman Louise B.
Brightman Lloyd A.
Brightman Phyllis
Carpenter Mary E. (Asso.)
Case Virginia R. (Asso.)
Chichester Elvira T.
Cook Abraham S.
Cook Annie M.
Cook Edward A.
Cook Alberta D.
Cook Peter G. (Asso.)
Cook Deborah (Asso.)
Crosby Mabel V. V.
Davis Elizabeth A.
Davis Marian L.
Davis Myra K.
Davis Ina M.
Gifford Robert A.
Gifford Eugenia M.
Gifford Stanley E.
Gifford Inez
Gifford Sara A.
Harticon William F. Jr. (Asso.)
Howland Frances A.
Howland Ruth L.
Lawton Florence M.

Macomber Edward L.
Macomber Ada S.
Macomber Elizabeth S.
Macomber John A.
Macomber Eleanor R.
Macomber Margaret A.
Macomber Hattie F.
Macomber Alice A.
Macomber Mabel E.
Macomber Marianna
Mosher Harwood S.
Mosher Julia B.
Mosher Sherman
Mulligan Robert (Asso.)
Pettey Mary S.
Pettey Everett H. (Asso.)
Pettey Lois H.
Potter Abram J.
Potter Lynwood (Asso.)
Reynolds Ethel M.
Shaw Louise B.
Shurtleff Eleanor R.
Shurtleff Richard E. (Asso.)
Smith Dorothy M.
Steinmetz Virginia C.
Samson Esther S. (Asso.)
Taber Cora
Tilton Verna A. (Asso.)
Totah Khalil A.
Tripp Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp Virginia R.
Tripp Gloria F.
Tripp Ruth A.
Weston Evelyn E.
White Olive M.
Wilcock James Jr.
Wing Mary E. L.
Wood Annie L.
Wood Earl H.
Wood Raymond A.
Wood Harold S. (Asso)
Wood Russell G. (Asso)
Woodcock Louetta

Mr. Martin informed the meeting that he would be obliged to be away for most of the summer on account of a condition requiring hospital treatment.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 18th 1940.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that word has been received from James A. Coney that he plans to be with us on Saturday

June 1st and on Sunday June 2nd.

The committee in charge of painting the Meeting House report that Mr. Sherman is expected to begin work as soon as the project in which he is now engaged has been completed.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 15th 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries have been read and we appoint Frances A. Howland, Sarah A. Gifford and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

The Meeting House Committee report that painting has been begun.

Mr. Martin was authorized to see what could be done relative to painting the Community House and report to the committee on grounds.

We are informed that Paul Brown has been engaged to act as a supply pastor during July and August and for the first Sunday of September during Mr. Martin's absence.

We approve omitting all Sunday services on June 30 which is the time of our Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park Maine.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 20th 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the recent Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth report that two attended but that one was prevented by illness.

The committee on grounds report that the painting of the Meeting ~~House~~ has been completed.

We are informed that several members and others have agreed to give their services to painting the Community House so that the only expense to the Meeting will be for the cost of the paint.

Since our last meeting Paul Brown informed the Pastoral Committee that he had been called to a permanent pastorate earlier than he had expected and asked to be released from his engagement with us. The committee approved that Mr. Brown be released and William Strait was engaged to act in his stead.

We approve the suggestion that we request 40 copies of the Yearly Meeting Minutes of 1940 sent us for distribution.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth month 17th 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that some progress on painting the Community House has been made.

Copies of the Yearly Meeting Minutes

have been received for distribution.

The Clerk is hereby authorized to give Cora E. Taber a transfer of membership to the Long Plain Baptist Church and also to give Ina M. Davis a similar letter to the Congregational Church at Little Compton R. I.

We are informed that Dean Wicks of Princeton has accepted our invitation to preach for us on Sunday Sept. 1st.

Alice A. Macomber informed us that Irene Hadfield has offered us an opportunity to sell lunches and refreshments at an auction to be held on her premises next Wednesday. We approve acceptance of the invitation and those interested are encouraged to proceed with the present plans.

We request the Clerk to invite James A. Coney to attend our services on Sept. 8th.

We are informed that Mr. Martin is expected to return in time to be present on Sept. 15th.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 21, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The queries have been read and we appoint Mildred A. Brightman, Elvira O. Chichester, and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich in Tenth Month next.

We have received from Gertrude Lawton, on behalf of the Westport Sunday School Association a letter of thanks for the use of our Meeting House for sessions of the town Vacation Bible School held in July.

We are informed that the painting of the Community House is progressing slowly.

The Clerk is requested to invite James A. Coney, Yearly Meeting Superintendent, to be with us on the week end of Oct. 12 + 13, as he was unable to accept the invitation previously offered him.

Mr. Martin suggested various activities for several groups of the Church and Sunday School to be carried out during the balance of the year.

We approve the general program as outlined and encourage Mr. Martin to proceed in putting his plans into operation.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 19, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

~~The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.~~

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended with one exception.

Painting of the Community House is reported to be progressing.

Mr. Martin suggested our holding a lecture on Social Hygene with speakers from the Mass. State Board of Health. We approve the general idea and suggest that Mr. Martin write Mr. Dewey, Mr. Kuhn, and Mr. Huneycutt to cooperate by

~~by~~ urging the attendance of the young people of their respective meetings.

Our Treasurer is requested to secure extra collection envelopes for the balance of the fiscal year.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 16th, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Alice A. Macomber is appointed to send cards of greeting to absent members.

Charles A. Brightman, Mabel E. Macomber, and Elvira O. Chichester are appointed to bring in to our next meeting a proposed list of names of officers for the ensuing year.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 21st, 1940.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries were read and we appoint Ada S. Macomber, Mildred A. Brightman and Charles A. Brightman as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

Alice A. Macomber is appointed a committee to co-operate with a similar committee of the Meeting of Ministry and Oversight in proposing a Friend for Elder for the ensuing three years.

The joint committee propose Annie M. Cook as an Elder for the three years beginning First Month 1941.

Alice A. Macomber reports that she has attended to the charge of mailing Christmas Greeting Cards to non-resident members.

The committee on nominations presented their report which is satisfactory to the meeting, and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions therein designated for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
- Alice A. Macomber
- Charles A. Brightman
- Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds
- Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
- Mary S. Pettey
- Edward L. Macomber

Finance Committee
- Dorothy M. Smith
- Abram J. Potter
- Virginia R. Tripp
- Alice A. Macomber
- Maud P. Brownell
- Elvira O. Chichester

Parsonage Committee
- Abram J. Potter
- Edward L. Macomber
- Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee	Hattie F. Macomber Lois H. Pettey Edward L. Macomber

Community House Governing Board:

Senior Members	Junior Members
Charles A. Brightman	Gloria F. Tripp
Ruth L. Howland	Lloyd A. Brightman
Elizabeth A. Davis	Elbert Brownell

We approve payment of One dollar per week for Mr. Martin's salary in addition to that previously paid.

Our Finance Committee is requested to study our general financial condition and report to a future meeting.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber.
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 18th, 1941.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford report that all attended.

Mr. Martin presented the possibility of organizing a Boy Scout Troop. The general idea was favored, provided some suitable person can be secured to assume the leadership.

Mr. Martin reported that he had interviewed the Highway Surveyor, Mr. Haskell about gravel for the drives and stated that Mr. Haskell promised to attend to the matter.

We are informed that a group of ladies in the community have taken up a sewing project under the direction of the Red Cross.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 15th 1941.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We direct the Treasurer to pay $20. for the United Budget. Ten Dollars from the general treasury, Five Dollars from the Mary S. Macomber Fund and Five Dollars from the Olive Macomber Fund, the latter for work among Western Indians.

We are informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight approve our nomination of Annie M. Cook as an Elder for the three years beginning First Month 1941, and she is accordingly appointed to that station for the time specified or until another appointment.

Mr. Martin reported that he had interviewed Mr. Pierce, one of our local teachers, relative to the proposed Scout work, but Mr. Pierce not feeling able to take the leadership at this time, we are agreed that the matter be deferred until some future date.

The business of the meeting being finished, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 15th 1941.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read.

We appoint Frances A. Howland, Phyllis Brightman and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

We appoint Mr. Martin to draft a form of letter to be sent to our members requesting contributions for our Special Easter offering.

Mr. Martin presented at this time his resignation to take effect June 1, 1941. This is accepted with deep regret for we feel that both Mr. and Mrs. Martin have worked efficiently and tirelessly for the prosperity of the Church during their stay among us.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 19th 1941.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting held in New Bedford report that they attended with one exception.

We are informed that $45 was received in the special Easter Offering.

A Statistical Report was read and approved.

To Westport Monthly Meeting:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1940. Births 0; Deaths 0; Removals into 0, Removals from 0; Released by letter 2; Discontinued by request 0; Received by request 8; Received by letter 0; Total number of members 81, namely:-

Borden Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell Elbert (Assoc.)
Brownell Maud P.
Brownell Imogene (Assoc.)
Brightman Charles A.
Brightman Mildred A.
Brightman Louise B.
Brightman Lloyd A.
Brightman Phyllis

Carpenter Mary E. (Assoc.)
Case Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Chichester Elvira O.
Columbia Carolyn (Assoc.)
Cook Abraham S.
Cook Annie M.
Cook Edward A.
Cook Alberta D.
Cook Peter G. (Assoc.)
Cook Deborah (Assoc.)
Crosby Mabel V. V.

Davis Elizabeth A.
Davis Marian L.
Davis Myra K.

Gifford Robert A.
Gifford Eugenie M.
Gifford Stanley E.
Gifford Inez
Gifford Sara A.

Harticon William F. (Assoc.)
Howland Frances A.
Howland Ruth L.

Jameson Barbara

Kirby Grace (Assoc.)

Lawton Florence M.

Macomber Edward L.
Macomber Ada S.
Macomber Elizabeth S.
Macomber John A.
Macomber Eleanor R.
Macomber Margaret A.
Macomber Hattie F.
Macomber Alice A.
Macomber Mabel E.
Macomber Marianna
Manchester Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher Harwood
Mosher Julia B.
Mosher Sherman
Mulligan Robert (Assoc.)

Olliver Belle J. (Assoc.)
Olliver Harriet (Assoc.)

Pettey Mary S.
Pettey Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey Lois H.
Potter Abram J.
Potter Lynwood (Assoc.)

Reynolds Ethel M.

Shaw Louise B.
Shurtleff Eleanor R.
Shurtleff Richard E. (Assoc.)
Smith Dorothy M.
Steinmetz Virginia C.
Samson Esther (Assoc.)

Tilton Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah Khalil A.
Tripp Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp Virginia R.

Tripp Gloria F.
Tripp Ruth A.

Weston Evelyn E.
White Olive M.
Wilcock James Jr.
Wing Mary E.L.
Wood Annie L.
Wood Earl H.
Wood Raymond A.
Wood Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood Marilyn (Assoc.)
Wood Thais (Assoc.)
Woodcock Louetta

Dorothy Smith is appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for entertainment of the minister for the coming year, with power to appoint whomever she may choose to assist her

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 17th 1941.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Mabel E. Macomber
Assistant Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held by adjournment Fifth Month 25th 1941.

The meeting assembled on the above date as directed by the minute of Fifth 17th.

Mr. Martin on behalf of the Pastoral Committee recommended the following persons as active and associate members. The report was approved and they were accepted.

Mahlon Curtis
Helen Curtis
Marilyn Curtis (Assoc.)
Chester A. Gifford
Theresa Gifford
Richard Gifford (Assoc.)
Howard Gifford (Assoc.)
Ruth M. Davis
Marilyn Wood
Carolyn Columbia
Grace Kirby
Imogene Brownell

The question as to whether it might be desirable to hold Monthly Meetings less often than every month was discussed.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 21, 1941.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read and we appoint Frances A. Howland, Marianna Macomber and Lois H. Pettey as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

We approve omitting our regular services on Sunday June 29th to accommodate those of our members who desire to attend the Yearly Meeting at Ocean Park, Maine.

We approve omitting all Monthly Meeting sessions until September unless some special necessity for holding one should arise and in such case the Clerk is hereby authorized to call a session before that date.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 20, 1941.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that one of the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth did not attend.

The Queries were read.

We appoint Mary S. Pettey, Frances A. Howland and Lloyd A. Brightman as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sandwich next month.

Our correspondent, Alice A. Macomber is authorized to write to Mildred A. Doane expressing our thanks for the use of her Heater, which we have been using in our Community House for several years past.

Mr. Mattheson brought to our attention the suggestion of a possible union between our Meeting and the Methodist Church at Westport Point. After some discussion we agreed to consider the matter if the Methodist Church should make such a request.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn to meet in December or, if need arrises, at the call of the Clerk.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 28, 1941.

A special meeting was called by the Clerk to consider a proposal from the Westport Point Methodist Church relative to the advisability of having one pastor for both Churches.

After discussion the following committee were chosen to act with a similar committee from the Westport Point Church – Edward L. Macomber, Charles A. Brightman and Frances A. Howland.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 20th, 1941.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Mabel E. Macomber, Lloyd A. Brightman, and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford in First Month next.

Alice A. Macomber is appointed to co-operate with a similar committee of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to propose a person to serve as Elder for the three years beginning First Month 1942.

The joint committee above mentioned proposed the name of Carl Wood as an Elder for three years, which is satisfactory to us.

Dorothy M. Smith, Charles A. Brightman and Ruth L. Howland are appointed a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments and report to our next session.

The committee appointed in 9th month met a similar committee from the Westport Point Church but after a general discussion it was decided that the conditions were not favorable for any definite action at the present time.

We are united in dropping the name of Esther Samson from our list of members as she has united with another Church.

~~The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.~~

Alice A. Macomber reported that greeting cards and copies of the program of our 225th Anniversary Exercises were mailed our non-resident members.

We direct the treasurer to pay $25, for the United Budget, $15 from the general treasury, $5 from the Mary S. Macomber Fund, and $5 from the Olive Macomber Fund - the latter sum to be expended for Western Indian Work.

The Treasurer is authorized to pay any expenses connected with the Easter drive.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk on First Month 17th 1942 or such other date as may seem advisable.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 17th 1942.

The committee appointed to propose names of Friends to fill our annual appointments made their report, which was approved, and the following persons are hereby appointed to the position designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees	Alice A. Macomber Charles A. Brightman Edward L. Macomber
Committee on Meeting House and Grounds	Arthur V. Tripp Jr. Mary S. Pettey Edward L. Macomber

Finance Committee
Dorothy M. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
Alice A. Macomber
Maude P. Brownell
Elvira O. Chichester
C. Arnold Gifford
Marilyn Wood
Frances Howland

Parsonage Committee
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee
Hattie F. Macomber
Lois H. Pettey
Edward L. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Charles A. Brightman	Gloria Tripp
Ruth L. Howland	Elbert Brownell
Elizabeth A. Davis	Lloyd A. Brightman

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 28th, 1942.

Records of Twelfth Month 1941 were read and approved.

We appoint Ruth L. Howland, Theresa F. Gifford and Mildred A. Brightman as our representatives to Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

We are informed that our nomination of Earl H. Wood as an

Elder for three years has been approved by the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight and he is accordingly appointed to that station for three years or until another appointment.

Mr. Mattheson reported that a letter is being prepared to be sent to members and attenders asking for contributions to our special Easter offering.

The following report of the Statistical Committee was read and approved:

To Westport Monthly Meeting.

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1941.

Births, 0; Deaths, 0; Removals into, 0; Removals from, 0; Released by letter, 1. Discontinuance of names, 1; Received by Request, 8; Received by letter 0.

Total number of members 88, namely:

Borden, Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Louise B.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Carpenter, Mary E. (Assoc.)
Case, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Chichester, Elvira O.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Annie M.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc.)

Crosby, Mabel V.V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra K.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sara A.
Gifford, Chester A.
Gifford, Theresa
Gifford, Richard (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard (Assoc.)

Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)

Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace

Lawton, Florence M.

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Eleanor R.
Macomber, Margaret A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manchester, Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood
Mosher, Julia
Mosher, Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)
Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)

Pettey, Mary B.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Lois H.

Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Smith, Dorothy M.
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp, Virginia
Tripp, Gloria
Tripp, Ruth A.

Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn E.
White, Olive M.
Wilcock, James, Jr.
Wing, Mary E.L.
Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood, Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood, Marilyn
Wood, Thais (Assoc.)
Woodcock, Louetta

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 12th, 1942, in accordance with a special call of the Clerk.

Mr. Mattheson requested permission of the meeting to be released for the months of July and August to engage in Boy Scout Camp work. After consideration of the matter he was given liberty to engage in summer work as requested and he, with the approval of the Pastoral Committee, was authorized to engage a substitute for the period of his absence.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 20, 1942.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approve.

The Queries were read and we appoint Edward L. Macomber and Lois H. Pettey as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth next month.

Mr. Mattheson decided to remain at Central Village for the summer and consequently it became unnecessary to secure a substitute for him, but he has asked to be released for the particular Sunday of July 5, and we agree, in that event, to hold no services on that date.

A request from the Little Compton Red Cross for use of our Meeting House in that town in case the need should arise in the future was granted.

We direct the treasurer to pay to — Marianna Macomber the sum of Five Dollars from the Olive Macomber Fund for the purchase of wool to be used for knitting for the American Friends Service Committee.

We direct the treasurer to pay to Robert E. Mulligan $25 from the Keziah Gifford Fund to help on tuition expenses in his school work.

Adjourned,
Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 18th, 1942.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that only one of the representatives appointed was in attendance at the recent Quarterly Meeting held in West Falmouth.

The following letter was received from David W. Douglas and Margaret A. Macomber informing the meeting of their intention of uniting in marriage after the manner of Friends on Eighth Month 23rd, 1942.

Seventh Month 8th, 1942.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends,
Dear Friends

We Margaret Allen Macomber and David Weston Douglas do by this letter express our intention of joining in wedlock after the manner of Friends at the Westport Meeting House the 8th month 23rd, 1942; I Margaret being a member of this Westport Monthly Meeting and I David being a member of the South Durham Monthly Meeting of Friends in the state of Maine.

Both of us will have attained our majority and approach the union freely. We proceed with the fullest approval of our parents Edward L. and Ada S. Macomber of this town of Westport and Frank E. and Stella M. Douglas of Brunswick, Maine.

Know that we seek to become one out of love for one another and in the hope that as one we can be of greater service to God than as two individuals.

David Weston Douglas
Margaret Allen Macomber

After consideration we appoint Edward L. Macomber, Annie M. Cook, Dorothy M. Smith and Charles A. Brightman a committee to see that the marriage is properly conducted.

As Mr. Mattheson decided to remain in Central Village on Seventh Month 5th, our usual services were held on that day.

We approve placing an offering box in the vestibule to receive special contributions.

After general discussion of various subjects the meeting adjourned to the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 15th 1942 agreeable to the call of the Clerk.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The queries were read.

The question of the desirability of holding sessions of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich in tenth month was discussed and it is the sense of this meeting that during the time the present gasoline and rubber restrictions are in force, meetings at Sandwich be discontinued. We are agreed that under present travel conditions New Bedford seems the most convenient place for holding sessions of the Quarterly Meeting.

We are united in approving the proposed arrangements for the marriage of David W. Douglas and Margaret A. Macomber at our Meeting House on Eighth month twenty-third at 4 P.M.

Raymond Mattheson introduced the subject of the use of our parsonage for himself and Mrs. Mattheson during their stay at Central Village. After discussion, the meeting adjourned to meet two weeks from this evening.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 29, 1942, agreeable to adjournment.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Annie M. Cook, Ada S. Macomber and Helen Curtis as our representatives to the session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in Tenth Month next.

The committee appointed to attend the marriage of David W. Douglas and Margaret A. Macomber report that it was solemnized in a proper and orderly manner, and Edward L. Macomber reported that, as Clerk of this Meeting, he has signed the official marriage certificate and filed the same with the Town Clerk.

The Parsonage committee reported that it was possible to hire the Clifford H. Pettey house for six months or more at the rate of $10 per month.

After discussion, it was agreed that we authorize the Parsonage committee to hire the Pettey house for six months or longer. The meeting also agrees to pay the necessary cost of lighting while it is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Mattheson

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 17, 1942. Convened at the call of the Clerk.

We are informed that only one of our representatives was able to attend the Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich last month.

A Round table discussion of needs of the community was engaged in. Among topics discussed were lack of Church attendance by members and non members and the possibility of a "No License" campaign before the November election.

Mr. Mattheson suggested that he would like to arrange for evening meetings in conjunction with the Westport Point Church, or possibly some other group, and he was encouraged to proceed, if way opened.

Mr. Mattheson, Helen Curtis, Ruth Howland, Lois Pettey and Marilyn Wood were appointed a committee to arrange for our Thanksgiving gathering.

The need of a janitor was discussed, and the Clerk was requested to engage one if possible.

Adjourned,
Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 2, 1942.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Marilyn Wood suggested that Christmas

gifts be sent to local Boys in the U. S. Service. After discussion it was agreed that it might be a suitable project to be taken up by the Sunday School and Marilyn was appointed to present the subject to the School.

Mr. Mattheson submitted at this time a letter of resignation as pastor, to take effect Nov. 23d, which we refer to the Pastoral Committee.

We regret that he felt it necessary to leave us with so slight a notice. During his stay at Central Village he has labored earnestly for the welfare of the Church and our community. We wish him success in his new field of labor.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 17, 1942.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Annie M. Cook, Helen Curtis, and Mabel E. Macomber as our representatives to the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

Marianna Macomber is appointed to co-operate with a similar committee of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight in proposing a person to serve as Elder for the three years beginning First Month 1943.

The above committee propose the name of Hattie F. Macomber which is satisfactory to us.

Charles A. Brightman and Mabel E. Macomber are appointed a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments and report at the next meeting.

We are informed that Alice A. Macomber has continued a practice which she has observed for a number of years, that of sending greeting cards to non-resident members. We are pleased that she has been able to continue the practic

A request for help of Friendsville Academy has been presented. We authorize the Treasu to contribute the sum of Five dollars to be taken from the Alice Macomber Fund.

Adjourned until Sunday after Church Servic

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelfth Month 20, 1942, according to adjournment.

It was decided that due to the uncertainty of the gas and fuel situation no services would be held until conditions seemed to warrant opening.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 20, 1943.

Regular Sunday services were resumed on First Month 17th.

We are informed that our nomination of Hattie F. Macomber as an Elder for three years has been approved by the Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight and she is accordingly appointed to that station for three years or until another appointment

The following statistical report is approved:

To Westport Monthly Meeting.

Report of the Statistical Committee for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1942.

Births 1; Deaths 0; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinuance of names 0; Received by Request 0; Received by letter 0;

Total number of members 89, namely:—

Borden, Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C.I. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Louise B.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Carpenter, Mary E. (Assoc.)
Case, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Chichester, Elvira O.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Annie M.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc.)
Crosby, Mabel V.V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, Sara A.
Gifford, Chester A.
Gifford, Theresa F.
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)

Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace

Lawton, Florence M.

Macomber, Edward E.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice B.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manchester, Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood S.
Mosher, Julia E.
Mosher, Sherman
Milligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Belle J. (Assoc.)
Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)

Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Lois H.
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Sinnicks, Eleanor R.
Smith, Dorothy M.
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp, Virginia R.
Tripp, Gloria F.
Tripp, Ruth A.

Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn E.
White, Olive M.
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wong, Mary E. L.
Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood, Russell E. (Assoc.
Wood, Marilyn
Wood, Thais (Assoc.)
Woodcock, Louetta

A letter from Khalil A. Totah to Alice A. Macomber was read at this time.

Having been informed that Sophia E. Hawkes desires the transfer of her membership from Winthrop Monthly Meeting, Winthrop Maine to our meeting, and being in receipt of a letter from said Winthrop Monthly Meeting stating that no obstruction appears to the proposed transfer, we hereby accept Sophia E. Hawkes as a member of this meeting and direct our Clerk to notify Winthrop Monthly Meeting of our action.

We have received from the Permanent Board of our Yearly Meeting a letter explaining the proposed union of the different branches of New England Friends

The nominating committee made a report at this time which is approved and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment, viz.:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees:
Alice A. Macomber
Charles A. Brightman
Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds:
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Marilyn Wood
Frances A. Howland
Lois H. Pettey

Parsonage Committee:
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee:
Hattie F. Macomber
Lois H. Pettey
Mabel E. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Charles A. Brightman	Elbert Brownell
Ruth L. Howland	Lloyd A. Brightman
Elizabeth A. Davis	Gloria Tripp

We appoint Ada S. Macomber, Ruth L. Howland and Marilyn Wood as our representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

Mr. Young is requested to prepare a letter to be sent to members asking for contributions to our special Easter offering.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 5th, 1943.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in Third Month report that all attended.

We appoint Francis A. Howland, Mildred A. Brightman and Marianna Macomber as our representatives to attend the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

Winthrop Monthly Meeting informs us that it has received notice of our acceptance of Sophia E. Hawkes as a member of this meeting.

The Clerk has received from Allen Street M. E. Church of New Bedford a letter of transfer for Marion W. Perry who desires to become a member of our meeting. We are united in receiving her into membership with us and the clerk is directed to inform Allen St. Methodist Church of our action.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber to prepare on our behalf, a suitable memorial of Annie M. Cook to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting.

It is decided that until further notice sessions of our Monthly Meeting shall be held at the call of the Clerk.

Virginia Tripp gave us a very interesting report of "Camp Rabbit Hollow" a project at Winchester, N. H. sponsored by the Fellowship of Reconcilliation. Virginia had the privilege of spending two weeks at the camp and took part in the construction of a cabin for under privledged children.

We authorize our Treasurer to send $5 to Isabel and Munroe Smith for support of "Camp Rabbit Hollow" and also $2 for China Relief work, both amounts to be taken from the Olive Macomber Fund.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th month 28, 1943.

The Pastoral Committee presented at this time, with their approval, requests for Membership as follows: Ina M. Mosher and William J. Smith, also for Associate Membership, Nancy J. Smith, John H. Perry, and Carole A. Perry.

All the foregoing were unanimously approved as members.

The following memorial to Annie M. Cook, which has already been forwarded to the Yearly Meeting was read and the Clerk is instructed to place the same upon our records.

Westport Monthly Meeting places on its records the following Memorial:

Annie M. Cook died suddenly on March 23, 1943 at New Bedford, Mass.

She was a valued Elder of Westport Monthly Meeting where she had a life long interest altho her regular attendance and activities for many years had been at Smith's Neck in Dartmouth Monthly Meeting.

She was one of the few remaining New England Friends who cordially continued the old custom of entertaining ministers.

Her Smith's Neck pastor, Arthur O. Dewey, who conducted her funeral service held at Central Village, Westport, Mass., expressed the thought that her personal and helpful interest in the people of all ages, with whom she came in contact, would make a lasting impression on their lives and had been of inestimable value to the upbuilding of the Church.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th month 18, 1943.

Minutes of the meetings of Sixth month 5th and Eighth month 28th were read and approved.

We are informed that the representatives appointed to attend the last session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting attended with one exception

The queries were read, and we appoint Marion W. Berry, Alice A. Macomber and Lois H. Pettey as our representatives to the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

We appoint Mildred A. Brightman a committee to unite with a similar committee from the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight to propose a friend to serve as elder in place of Annie M. Cook, deceased.

This joint committee informs us that they are united in proposing Mary S. Pettey as an Elder to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Annie M. Cook.

We are informed by the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting that it is decided to raise the sum of $450. for the current year and that our proportion of this amount should be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting at the usual times.

We are united in joining with the Sunday School by contributing one half of the expense of sending Christmas presents to our Boys now in the U.S. Service.

We are glad to have with us at this time James A. Coney, Evangelistic Superintendent of New England Yearly Meeting, together with his wife Elsie Coney. James Coney related some incidents of his visits to other Yearly Meetings during the past few months. He plans to show us moving pictures of scenes of Indian life in Oklahoma where Friends have conducted Mission work for many years.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 2d, 1944.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Theresa F. Gifford, Mabel E. Macomber, Mildred A. Brightman and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

We appoint Mabel E. Macomber a committee to co-operate with a similar committee of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight in proposing a Friend to serve as an Elder for the ensuing three years.

The joint committee propose Mary S. Pettey as an Elder for the three years beginning First Month 1944.

Elmo F. Young, who has served us as minister for the past year, has informed us that he feels it necessary to take up work in the Methodist Church. We regret that he feels obliged to leave us, but wish him success in his new field of labor.

We have received interesting replies from several boys in the armed service to whom Christmas gifts were sent. These include James Wilcock, Raymond Wood, John Oliver, and others.

After some discussion, an informal expression of opinion indicated that most of those present were satisfied to continue holding our S.S. at 10 A.M.

We appoint Charles A. Brightman, Ada S. Macomber and Ruth L. Howland a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments.

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn.

Edward T. Macomber,
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 6th 1944,

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting in First Month report that all attended.

The nominating committee made a report at this time which is approved and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Alice A. Macomber
Charles A. Brightman
Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds.
Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
Edward L. Macomber
Mary S. Petty
William J. Smith

Finance Committee
Dorothy M. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Arthur V. Tripp Jr.
Alice A. Macomber
Maud P. Brownell
C. Arnold Gifford
Marilyn Wood
Frances A. Howland
Lois H. Petty

Parsonage Committee
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee
Hattie F. Macomber
Lois H. Petty
Mabel E. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members.
Charles A. Brightman	Elbert C. T. Brownell
Ruth L. Howland	Richard A. Gifford
Elizabeth A. Davis	Marilyn Wood

We are informed by the Clerk of

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight that they approve our nomination of Mary S. Petty as an elder and she is accordingly appointed to that station for three years or until another appointment.

We approve a suggestion of the Overseers that they send Robert Mulligan a gift of $25, from Keziah Gifford legacy.

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Third Month 26th, 1944.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The queries were read and we appoint Ruth L. Howland and Imogene F. Brownell as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month.

The statistical committee presented their report for the year ending 12th mo. 31, 1943;

Births 0; **Deaths** 2; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Released by letter 0; Discontinuance of names 0; Received by Request 5; Received by letter 2. Net Gain 5.

Total Number of Members this year 91. namely:

Borden, Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. S. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Case, Virginia R. (Assoc.)

Chichester, Elvira O.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc.)
Crosby, Mabel V. V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen

Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra R.
Douglas, Margaret I.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, Sara A.
Gifford, Mary E. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Chester A.
Gifford, Theresa F.
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)

Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace

Lawton, Florence M.

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manchester, Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood S.

Mosher, Julia B.
Mosher, Sherman
Mosher, Ina M.
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)
Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)

Perry, Marion W.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carole A. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Lois H.
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor K.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Sinnicks, Eleanor R.
Smith, William J.
Smith, Dorothy M.
Smith, Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Tripp, Arthur W.
Tripp, Virginia R.
Tripp, Gloria J.
Tripp, Louise B.
Tripp, Ruth A.

Walsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn E.
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E. L.

Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood, Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Marilyn
Wood, Thais (Assoc.)
Woodcock, Louetta

The treasurer is authorized to forward $25 for the Yearly Meeting budget, ($5 from the general treasury, $15 from the M. S. Macomber Fund and $5 from the Olive Macomber Fund the latter for Western Indian Work.)

The business of the meeting being concluded we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Report on Spiritual Condition of Westport Particular Meeting

Westport Monthly Meeting as all country meetings is feeling the effect of a long war. Numbers are depleted by the draft and the remaining are especially affected by the gas situation where there is no bus service.

Yet we have a few encouraging moments. The membership has a slight increase and the morning meeting for Worship has averaged 35.

Mr. Young left us early in the year to take a church in Medford, Mass. and B. U. Theological sent us Mr. Richard Purnell. His Sunday morning message seems to appeal to the congregation.

We sent presents to our boys in the Service at Christmas time, both to the members and those who had been connected with the Sunday School. An Easter letter was also sent.

We have contributed to the United Budget. We have also, as a meeting helped one of our members who is trying to obtain an education without a home backing. Our Social Life was helped by one of our younger Friends, who suggested that food be solicited for everyone to enjoy a noon lunch in the grove after the morning service. We had one gathering in June and one in September.

The Sunday School has been smaller than usual with an average of 31. Yet in this number may be some of our future helpers and they must have the best we can give, even if the number is less,

The Westport Sunday School Association held its semi-annual meeting with us last October with a fine address by a Professor from B. U.

The Sunday School has contributed $50. to the minister's salary. It has also given to the Red Cross, Mother's Day, Westport Sunday School Association, Friends Academy and Virginia Tripp for Social Service, so, that with cost of supplies, the sum expended for the past year is $131.11.

We are grateful to the non-resident members who help us with the finances and encouragement to continue. Our future lies in the hands of those young people who are settled in or near our Community, and realize that the Church has something vital and necessary for the upbuilding of the religious life of their children, in keeping with the times.

Our task at present is to help to do what we can, that Freedom and Brotherhood may live again.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month Second, 1944.

Met at the call of the Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were

read and approved.

We are informed that both representatives to the Quarterly Meeting held in Fourth Month attended.

The queries were read, and we appoint Mary S. Utley, Alice A. Macomber, and Ruth L. Howland as our representatives to the next sssion of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

We are informed by the Pastoral Committee that Richard A. Purnell who has been serving our meeting acceptably for about six months past was, at his request, released to take a pastorate in the Methodist Church, and that Dale Van Meter of Ohio has been engaged to fill the vacancy.

The business of meeting being completed, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 8, 1944.

Met at the call of the Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Abram J. Potter and Hattie T. Macomber as our representatives to attend the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich.

The pastoral committee report that our pastor Dale Van Meter had been released at his request to accept an assistant pastorate at an M.E. Church in Lynn, Mass.

Harrell Beck of Nebraska is at present acting as our pastor.

Damage caused by the recent hurricane was discussed. This included the blowing down of the oldest tree in the meeting house yard, a large elm, which, in its fall did some damage to the northeast corner of the Meeting House; also a linden tree close to the Horse Block, which badly disarranged several of its largest stones. In all more than fifteen trees were damaged or destroyed

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjoin.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th month 24, 1944.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Dorothy M. Smith, Abram J. Potter, and Mabel C. Macomber were appointed representatives to the coming session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

A request for membership from Irene A. S. Hadfield and also for associate membership for her children Ethel A. Hadfield and Judith Hadfield was considered and we are united in accepting them as members of this meeting.

Mary E. Gifford an associate member has informed us that she has united in membership with a Presbeterian Church where she now resides and requests that she be released as a member of this meeting. We are united in granting her request and she is hereby released from membership with us.

The following are appointed as a committee to bring forward a list of persons to serve as officers of this meeting and also of our Sunday School for the ensuing year, viz Charles A. Brightman, Abram J. Potter, Lois H. Pettey, Dorothy M. Smith and Maud P. Brownell.

No other business coming before us,

we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 18, 1945.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the representatives appointed to attend our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford in First Month, were in attendance at that meeting.

The nominating committee presented its report which is satisfactory to us and the following named persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, viz:

Clerk:	Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk:	Mabel E. Macomber
Treasurer:	Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer:	Ruth L. Howland
Overseers and Board of Trustees	Alice A. Macomber Charles A. Brightman Edward L. Macomber
Committee on Meeting House and Grounds.	C. Arnold Gifford Arthur V. Tripp Jr. Edward L. Macomber Mary S. Pettey William J. Smith
Finance Committee	Dorothy M. Smith Arthur V. Tripp Jr. Maud P. Brownell Marilyn Wood Abram J. Potter

Finance Committee (Continued)	Alice A. Macomber C. Arnold Gifford Frances A. Howland Lois H. Pettey
Parsonage Committee	Edward L. Macomber Abram J. Potter Mildred A. Brightman
Statistical Committee	Hattie T. Macomber Lois H. Pettey Mabel E. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Charles A. Brightman	Imogene Brownell
Ruth L. Howland	Richard A. Gifford
Elizabeth A. Davis	Marilyn Wood

The business of the meeting being finished we adjourn to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting was held at the call of the Clerk on Fourth Month, 8, 1945.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We appoint Francis A. Howland, Elvira O. Chichester, and Marion E. Perry as our representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

Maud T. Brownell was appointed a committee to cooperate with a similar committee of the Meeting of Ministry and Oversight in proposing the name of a person to serve as Elder for the term of three years.

The joint committee propose Hattie T. Macomber to serve as Elder for the three year period.

The Treasurer is authorized to make a contribution of $5. from our meeting for support of the Westport Red Cross.

We appoint Irene A.S. Hadfield a committee to endeavor to obtain the services of Mr. Teachman to repair the Community House chimney which was partly demolished by the hurricane of last fall.

We approve the payment of $50 to Virginia Tripp towards her educational expenses. This sum to be taken from the Keziah Gifford Fund.

The following statistical report is approved:

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1944.

Births, 0; Deaths, 0; Removals into 0; Removals from, 0; Released by Resignation, 1; Discontinuance of names, 0; Received by request, 3; Received by letter, 0. Total number of members 96; namely:—

Borden, Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C.I. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Case, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Chichester, Elvira O.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter G. (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc)

Crosby, M[illegible] V.V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (assoc.)
Gifford, Sara A.
Gifford, Chester A.

Gifford, Theresa
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)

Hadfield, Irene A.S.
Hadfield, Ethel A. (Assoc.)
Hadfield, Judith D. (Assoc.)
Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Frances A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace E.

Lawton, Florence M.
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, Elizabeth S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie H.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manchester, Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood
Mosher, Julia
Mosher, Sherman
Mosher, Ina M.
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)
Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)

Perry, Marion E.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carole A. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Lois H.
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc
Sinnicks, Eleanor R.
Smith, William J.
Smith, Dorothy M.
Smith, Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp, Virginia R
Tripp, Gloria F.
Tripp, Louise B.
Tripp, Ruth A.

Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E.L.
Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood, Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood, Marilyn
Woodcock, Louetta

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Report on the Spiritual Condition of Westport Particular Meeting.

Another year finds us with this terrible war still unfinished, yet despite conditions we have been able to continue the work of the Church.

Our Boston University student Dale Van Meter left us last fall but a former supply recommended Rev. Herrell F. Beck to fill his place.

James Coney on visiting our meeting last December was pleased to see so many men in attendance. Maybe Mr. Beck's inspiring and thought producing sermons have accounted for this. His award of a scholarship giving him opportunity for both teaching and study in the American Christian College at Cairo is an opportunity he deserves, and, altho we feel the loss, we know he belongs in a larger field.

One of our members, Virginia Tripp who is attending Amherst State College was sent as a delegate to Pendle Hill by Northampton Meeting. The inspiration she has received may be helpful to both meetings.

Three new members have been added to our number. One adult and two associates.

The Sunday School tho small has been regularly held. They have contributed $52.00 to the ministers salary. They have joined with the meeting in sending at Christmas, presents to Service men both in Foreign Countries and U. S. A. who are at present members or have formerly had connections with us. They gave $5.00 each to Red Cross, Friendsville Academy, and Allen's Neck W.C.T.U.

for some special work.

The hurricane of last September wrought more destruction to our place than the one six years ago. Panes of glass were shattered, the Community House chimney was blown off and the historic riding block was sent askew by an uprooted tree. Fourteen trees in all were lost and the yard and burial ground strewn with debris. The sight looked the impossible at first but with the help of neighbors and membership who felt the place must be cleared for a funeral service, the yard was made passable for the occasion.

Since then work has been carried on with the further clearing away of fallen trees. Absent members and relatives of those buried in the Church Yard have contributed to the work and we hope for further accomplisment.

Our Easter Offering for the past few years is given in the hope that some needed improvement to the interior of the Church may be realized after the war.

We have contributed $25.00 to the United Budget.

What conditions may face us after the war, we do not know, but whatever the new order we want a Church that can minister to the people in leading them to a higher life, as Mr. Beck in one of his sermons sought to impress upon us that God has implanted the upward reach in the heart of man and that it is within the reach of every man to live nobly, but the Church should lead the way.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 1st, 1945.

Edward L. Macomber, Elbert C. I. Brownell and Robert E. Mulligan were appointed representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth.

The pastoral committee report that they expect A. J. MacRoberts, a student at Boston University School of Theology to serve as our pastor until this Fall.

We are informed by the "Grounds Improvement Committee" that the Community House Chimney has been repaired by Sheldon B. Judson of New Bedford at a cost of $145.14.

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting held at the call of the Clerk Ninth Month 15, 1945.

We appoint Frances A. Howland and Edward L. Macomber as our representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich

The pastoral committee report that James Hadley of Kansas has been engaged to serve as our pastor.

We are informed that Andrew Sawer has made some minor repairs on the Church and parsonage.

A letter from the Little Compton Historical Society asking us to give them the Meeting House property was read, but no action was taken

The business of the meeting being concluded, we adjourn.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk First Month 6, 1946.

This meeting approves the request of E. May Sanford to become a member of this meeting (her application having been approved by the Pastoral Committee) and she is hereby accepted into membership with us.

We appoint Abram J. Potter, Frances L. Howland and E. May Sanford as Representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford on First Month 12th

Charles A. Brightman, Mabel E. Macomber and Dorothy M. Smith were appointed to bring forward nominations for the officers of the Meeting and Sunday School and report to an adjournnment.

We appoint William J. Smith and C. Arnold Gifford a committee to purchase a new stove or heater for use in the entry of the Church and authorize the Treasurer to pay the necessary cost if one is purchased.

Adjourned to meet First Month 19th at 7:30 P.M.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting met according to adjournment, First Mo. 19, 1946.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that they attended with one exception.

The report of the nominating committee was approved and the following officers were appointed to their several stations for one year - until another appointment, viz:

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber
Assitant Clerk: Mabel E. Macomber

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Assist. Treasurer Ruth L. Howland.

Overseers and Board of Trustees
- Alice A. Macomber
- Charles A. Brightman
- Edward L. Macomber

Committee on Meeting House and Grounds.
(members added see Page 15.)
- C. Arnold Gifford
- Edward L. Macomber
- Mary S. Pettey
- William J. Smith.

Finance Committee
- Dorothy M. Smith
- Abram J. Potter
- Alice A. Macomber
- Maud P. Brownell
- C. Arnold Gifford
- Marilyn Wood
- Francis A. Howland
- E. May Sanford
- Lois H. Pettey

Parsonage Committee
- Edward L. Macomber
- Abram J. Potter
- Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee
- Hattie F. Macomber
- Lois H. Pettey
- Mabel E. Macomber

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members.	Junior Members.
Charles A. Brightman	Imogene F. Brownell
Ruth L. Howland	Richard A. Gifford
Elizabeth A. Davis	Marilyn Wood

Visiting Committee
- Arthur C. Allen
- Mary Allen
- William J. Smith
- Dorothy M. Smith

Officers for the Sunday School were appointed as follows:

Superintendent: Edward L. Macomber
Assit. " Abram J. Potter
Treasurer: Arthur C. Allen
Secretary: Geraldine Potter

Teachers —	Substitute Teachers
Edward L. Macomber	Abram J. Potter
Alice A. Macomber	May S. Potter
Frances [illegible]. Howland	Elvira Chichester
James Hadley	Inez Potter
Elizabeth A. Davis	
Mabel C. Macomber	
Marian Terry	

Flower Committee: Arthur C. Allen
Music Committee: Marian McVey
Theresa Gifford Inez Gifford

Community House Board
Junior Members
Robert Smith
Shirley Collins
John Babbitt

Edward L. Macomber, C. Arnold Gifford and William J. Smith were appointed to look into the matter of a possible sale of the Little Compton Meeting House property and report to a future meeting.

William J. Smith and C. Arnold Gifford, who were appointed to purchase a new stove, reported that no new stoves were available at the present time

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Third Month 1st 1946.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber, Francis A. Howla and Imogene Brownell as our representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford Fourth Month next.

Dorothy Smith Elizabeth A. Davis and Irene A.S. Hadfield are appointed a committee to have charg of the Meeting House in co-operation with the committee already in general charge of Meeting House and Grounds

We authorize James Hadley to prepare an Easter letter to be mailed to our membership and other interested friends of the meeting

We authorize the Treasurer to forward from the Olive Macomber Fund a contribution of Five (5) dollars for the work of Friendsville Academy at Friendsville, Tenn.

A letter from Mr. Spurrier, District Supt. of the N.E. Southern Conference, relative to the possibility of uniting our Church work with the Westport Point M.E. Church by employing the same man as pastor of both churches, was read.

After discussion, we authorize our Clerk to inform Mr. Spurrier that if his suggestion has the backing of the Westport Point Church we shall be glad to appoint a committee to discuss the proposal with him and a committee from the Westport Point Church.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Fourth Month 11th,

A letter from Mr. Spurrier, Dist. Supt, relative to the proposed conference between representatives of this meeting and a committee of the Westport Point Church was read.

We approve holding the conference at our Meeting House on Monday, Apr. 15, at 7.30 P.M.

and appoint Edward L. Macomber, Charles A. Brightman, Frances H. Howland, Mary S. Pilley and Dorothy M. Smith as our official representatives and suggest that the meeting be open to any other members of either Church who may desire to attend.

A letter from Robert C. Gabritz, who is being considered for Pastoral work this summer, was read and discussed.

We approve the appointment of Hattie F. Macomber as an Elder for the term of three years.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Report on the Spiritual Condition of Westport Monthly Meeting.

At first thought when trying to report the condition of Westport Monthly Meeting, one thinks of a winter of rough weather and sickness, yet, in spite of unfavorable conditions we have continued to function and the meeting has had an average attendance of forty.

James Hadley a student at Boston University has supplied as our pastor most of the time since last September. His many experiences in sermons as to our treatment of the colored race shows us that he feels that the land that has helped free others needs work to be done here.

We were fortunate to secure some Boston University Students during the summer. One of them Rev. James Doty gave us two inspiring sermons on: The Second Chance and True Greatness.

The Second Chance was given, on the Sunday after the War closed, to a large congregation. When the Missionary Report asked the question "Is your Church growing in World Mindedness?" all those hearing Mr. Doty's message must have realized that only by practice of the Golden Rule could the world of the future be saved.

Our Service boys have returned with one exception.

We have sent $25 to the United Budget, $5. to Red Cross, $10.24 has been spent for yarn for knitters, and two of our young people have been helped in their efforts for a higher education.

Our special Easter appeal has now reached the sum of $301. We hope soon that with more settled conditions we can invest in some needed improvements.

The Young People's group of the Church gave suppers in the Community House last summer raising enough money to replace the chimney destroyed by the hurricane, besides putting aside some for future improvements.

Mrs. Marion McVay has given time to a Junior Girls choir which has been a help to the girls and to the morning service. She has also secured helpful music for Easter and other occasions.

For both Church and Sunday School we need more workers, for altho we are grateful to those who help with flowers, music, organ, teaching, calling, keeping charge of records, and working on the finance committee, there is something for everyone to feel responsible for, if we are to carry on the work as we should.

James Coney was with us the last Sunday in December and taught a Sunday School class of Junior Girls.

The Sunday School has had an average attendance of 34.

We have sent "Togs in a Towel" to a boy and a girl at a cost of $8.47 in addition to the things given by some Sunday School scholars.

To Friends War Relief for packages of food for France and Holland $13.00.

The Sunday School has also given $52. to the minister's salary.

The flowers ~~flowers~~ for Easter and Pansies for Mothers Day have been furnished as usual.

Like the Sermon on the "Second Chance" we hope that in the coming year we can do better.

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1945.

Births 0; Deaths 0; Removals into 0; Removals from 0; Discontinuance of names 0; Received by request 1; Received by letter 0; Total number of members 97; namely:—

Borden, Hazel V. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred M.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Chichester, Elvira P.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta D.
Cook, Peter (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc.)
Crosby, Mabel V. V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley A.
Gifford, Lucy
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, Sarah A.
Gifford, Chester A.
Gifford, Theresa
Gifford, Richard (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)

Hadfield, Irene A. S.
Hadfield, Ethel A. (Assoc.)
Hadfield, Judith L. (Assoc.)
Hartigan, William F. (Assoc
Hawkes, Sophia E.

Howland, Francis A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace E.

Lawton, Florence M.
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manchester, Edith (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood
Mosher, Julia
Mosher, Sherman
Mosher, Ina M.
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)
Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)

Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Marion E.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carol A. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Mary S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettey, Lois H.
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynnwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Sanford, E. May
Shaw, [illegible] R.
Shurtleff, Eleanor A.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Sinnicks, Eleanor A.
Smith, William J.
Smith, Dorothy M.
Smith, Nancy J. (Assoc)
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc)
Totah, Khalil A.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.
Tripp, Virginia R.
Tripp, Gloria F.
Tripp, Louise B.
Tripp, Ruth A.

Vinton, Elizabeth S.

Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James R.
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood, [illegible] L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Asso
Wood, Russell G. (Asso
Wood, Marilyn
Woodcock, Louetta

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 30th 1946.

We appoint Abram J. Potter, Frances L. Howland and Marion Petty as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth in Seventh Month.

The Overseers have authorized the Treasurer to pay for yarn purchased from ~~from~~ the American Friends Service Committee by Marianna Macomber. This yarn to be knit into articles for the Relief Work of the American Friends Service Committee. The money to be taken from the Olive Macomber Fund.

The Pastoral Committee report that Warren Cook has been engaged as a supply pastor for the summer.

The Clerk has received from Union Church at Westport Factory a letter of transfer for Lorina M. Gifford who desires to become a member of our meeting. We are united in receiving her into membership with us and the clerk is directed to inform the Union Church of our action.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 6th 1946.

We appoint Mary S. Petty and Edward L. Macomber our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sandwich.

The Pastoral Committee were asked to make arrangements for a minister for the coming months.

Special Com.

Abram J. Potter, Carl H. Wood
Alice A. Macomber Charles L. Brightman,
Mary White, and C. Arnold Gifford

were appointed a committee to report on the desirability of remodelling a part of the barn into a parsonage and selling the present parsonage.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month [illegible], 1946.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and corrections made.

We are informed that both of the representatives appointed to attend the recent Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich were present.

The following letter was received from Philip Allen Towle and Virginia Ruth Tripp informing the meeting of their intention of uniting in marriage after the manner of Friends on Eleventh Month 28th

7113 Boyer. St. Philadelphia 19, Pa.
October 24, 1946.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk,
Central Village, Massachusetts
Dear Friends:

We, Virginia Ruth Tripp and Philip Allen Towle, express our intent of entering into Holy wedlock after the manner of Friends in a meeting for worship and thanksgiving on Eleventh Month Twenty-eight, 1946 to be held at Westport Monthly Meeting house [illegible] herein ask the approval of the meeting.

I, Virginia Ruth Tripp, daughter of Arthur Vernal and Lydia Agnes Tripp and a member of Westport Monthly Meeting, Westport, Massachusetts have reached a majority and have the consent of my parents.

I, Philip Allen Towle, son of [illegible] and [illegible] Towle of [illegible], Massachusetts and a member of [illegible] Monthly

Meeting Worcester, Massachusetts have reached a majority and have the consent of my parents.

We approach this day in deep humility because of our inabilities to meet the spiritual and human needs in a world supposedly at peace, and feel hesitant to celebrate Thanksgiving Day except as an occasion to dedicate our lives together for His service. Our nation, on the whole, will be giving thanks this season for abundant crops, new clothes, new homes, fuel, and the freedoms which we so proudly cherish, but we must be careful that we are not like the Priest who "went by on the other side". Will we not be many times more thankful when all that suffer are "Taken to the Inn" and given some of this abundant grain, warmly clothed, and given a chance to work and build a new home? Won't that day be the one with fearless Thanksgiving?

Virginia R. Tripp
Philip A. Towle

After some discussion we decided to postpone the appointment of the committee to attend this marriage until a later date.

The Pastoral Committee has secured James Doty to serve as our pastor while he is in Boston.

The committee appointed to consider the desirability of selling the parsonage report that some of our members think it is unwise and wish more time for consideration.

We appoint C. Arnold Gifford to purchase a small oil heater for the hall.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the clerk.

Mabel E. Macomber
Assist. Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 17th, 1946 at the call of the Clerk.

We direct that the Special Committee appointed to consider the possible sale of the Parsonage be continued and that they be requested to consult with Raymond Hadfield regarding this and other associated matters

We appoint Edward L. Macomber, Alice A. Macomber, Arthur V. Tripp Jr. and Lois H. Simmons as a committee to attend the marriage of Philip A. Towle and Virginia R. Tripp and see that the same is properly conducted.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Twelfth Month [illegible]th 1946, at the call of the Clerk.

C. Arnold Gifford reported for a special committee relative to the raising of funds for proposed parsonage repairs and also additional funds for general running expenses of the Church.

After discussion the general plan suggested was approved

Abram J. Potter, Mahlon Curtis and William J. Smith were appointed a committee to consult with the Westport Grange relative to the digging or driving of a well on the line between our respective properties with power to take necessary action.

Abram J. Potter, C. Arnold Gifford, Mahlon Curtis, William J. Smith and Raymond Hadfield were authorized to make necessary improvements on the Parsonage Property.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting held at the call of the Clerk First Month 5th 1947.

We appoint Francis A. Howland, Alice A. Macomber and Abram J. Potter as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford on First Month Eleventh.

Francis A. Howland, Charles A. Brightman and May S. Pettey are appointed a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments and report at a later meeting.

We are united in proposing the name of May S. Pettey as an Elder for the term of three years.

The Parsonage Committee were requested to prepare a letter directed to Mr. and Mrs. Candeias requesting them to vacate the Parsonage.

Adjourned to meet at the close of the church service on First Month 12th

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 12th, 1947.

Met according to adjournment.

The committee on nominations, not being ready to report at this time are continued.

The question as to what would be a proper form of notice to be given the tenants of the the parsonage was discussed at length

Abram J. Potter read a draft of such a letter, which was approved in substance as read, and the Parsonage Committee were requested to sign the same on our behalf and forward it to Mr. & Mrs. Candeias at an early date

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Virginia R. Tripp informed the clerk that she expected to be able to attend some sessions of several Yearly Meetings and we gave her the following Minute:

Dear Friends.

Virginia Tripp has informed us that she intends to be present at some of the sessions of your coming Yearly Meeting.

This is to inform you that she is a member of Westport Monthly Meeting, Westport, Massachusetts and we heartily commend her to you to engage in Christian service among you as way may open.

Signed on behalf of Westport Monthly Meeting,

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Replies were received as follows:

Waynesville

Westport Monthly Meeting
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.
Dear Friends:

We wish to return this minute of Virginia Tripp to you and express our appreciation that she has been with us in our Yearly Meeting

Having been with us last year as one of the teachers in our Daily Vacation Meeting School she was no stranger among us and she was very helpfull in the junior Yearly Meeting and the work of the Young Friends:

Signed on behalf of Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Laurence Furnas,
Clerk

To Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends:

Dear Friends:

This minute was received with pleasure by Illinois Yearly Meeting in its seventy-second session. We all enjoyed having Virginia Tripp with us again to share the fellowship of Yearly Meeting, and we feel that her presence has enriched the spiritual tone of our sessions.

Signed on behalf of Illinois Yearly Meeting of Friends

George H. Watson,
Clerk

To Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends:—

We have welcomed to our sessions Virginia Tripp to whom you gave credentials addressed to us. It is refreshing to have this young Friend visit us with readiness to serve.

Signed by direction of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church held at Plainfield, Indiana, August 20th to 25th, 1946.

Sumner A. Mills
Presiding Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends
Westport, Mass
Dear Friends:

The sessions of Indiana Yearly Meeting have been blessed by the presence of a large number of visiting Friends. Among our visitors was Virginia R. Tripp with a minute from your Monthly Meeting

Virginia Tripp's presence has been greatly appreciated. We have noted particularly her interest in young and that her presence has been an inspiration to them.

On behalf of Indiana Yearly Meeting

of Friends held at Richmond, Indiana, from the twenty-fourth to twenty-ninth of ninth month, 1946.

Norval E. Webb, Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the clerk Second Month 8 th 1947

We are informed that the representatives appointed to attend our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford in First Month were in attendance at that meeting.

The committee on nominations presented a report and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated, for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, is

Clerk:	Edward L. Macomber
Assist Clerk.	Mabel E. Macomber
Treasurer:	Edward L. Macomber
Assist. Treasurer	Ruth L. Howland
Overseers and Board of Trustees	Alice A. Macomber Charles A. Brightman Edward L. Macomber
Committee on Meeting House and Grounds	C. Arnold Gifford Edward L. Macomber William J. Smith
Finance Committee	Dorothy M. Smith Alice A. Macomber C. Arnold Gifford Frances A. Howland Abram J. Potter Maud F. Brownell Helen Curtis E. May Waite

Parsonage Committee { Edward L. Macomber
Abram J. Potter
Mildred A. Brightman

Statistical Committee { Hattie F. Macomber
Lois H. Simon
Mabel E. Macomber

Community House Governing Board.

Senior Members.	Junior Members
Mahlon Curtis	Geraldine Potter
Ruth E. Howland	Howard Gifford
Elizabeth A. Davis	Eleanor Wade

Visiting Committee { Arthur C. Allen
Mary Allen
William J. Smith
Dorothy W. Smith

We are informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and "Council" (or "Oversight") approves our nomination of May S. Pettey as an Elder for three years and she is accordingly appointed to that station for three years or until another appointment.

The committee appointed 11th month 11th, 1945 to attend the wedding of Philip A. Towle and Virginia R. Tripp report that all were in attendance and that the wedding was conducted properly according to the Friends' custom.

Parsonage committee reported that a letter was mailed to Mr. and Mrs. Candeias requesting them to vacate the parsonage and they believe they (Mr. + Mrs. Candeias) are making reasonable effort to find other quarters.

Report of the Spiritual Condition of Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends.

The past year for Westport Monthly Meeting has been one of varied experiences. Whether it all adds to our spiritual growth or not I cannot say.

Attendance at Sunday Service has been better than formerly, the average being forty.

We have had the usual number of changes in leadership. In the early Spring we had James Hadley of Kansas, followed in June by William H. Harris of Pennsylvania. Thru the Summer we had Marvin Cook of Kansas, in the Fall James Doty of Ohio. He gave us many inspiring sermons but did not appear on Christmas Sunday to minister to our congregation of about one hundred. At once we went back to the days of our fore-fathers and had an old time Quaker Meeting. As to the Spiritual uplift who is the judge? We are now having John Johannaber of Nebraska whom we hope to have with us during his stay at B.U. if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The older young people of our Church have organized as "The Friends Church Improvement Association", and have several projects in view. They seek to raise funds to employ a full time minister and with the Westport Grange to drive jointly a well on line property, thereby obtaining a water supply so that our parsonage can be modernized and further improved.

This plan calls for the support of all our Church Members and an interest from the non-Church people in our Community, if the Protestant Church in Central Village is to function as it should

We have contributed $25 to the United Budget, our Quota to Quarterly Meeting of

$31.50; $5.00 to Red Cross and $15.00 for yarn to be knit into garments for A. F. S. C., besides sending some clothing thru our Quarterly Meeting Clerk to the needy of Europe.

Last year Virginia Tripp informed the Clerk that she expected to be able to attend some sessions of other Yearly Meetings, and a Minute was given her from our Meeting.

We have received returning Minutes with words of appreciation from Indiana Y. M. held at Richmond, Ind.; from Western Y. M. held at Plainfield, Ind., and from Indiana Y. M. and Illinois Y. M. belonging to the Friends General Conference.

She was also able to attend some sessions of Central Independent Meeting and Ohio Yearly Meeting Conservative.

The Sunday School is still small, with an average attendance of thirty, a little lower than last year because of two epidemics

We have made the usual contributions to several calls, our largest being $1 per week to the minister's salary. Other contributions were to W. C. T. U. for Education on Liquor Traffic, Red Cross, Westport Sunday School Assoc., Easter Flowers for the Church and Shut-in's, Pansies for Mother's Day, Halloween Party, a box to Finland, some Christmas Presents, and Suday School Supplies make the total expenditures $130.58.

Last July a week's Vacation Bible School was held with the highest attendance at twenty-five. At the close, a supper was held and two boxes of clothing were sent to the U. F. S. C.

The older teen-age group is absent from our Sunday School, but they meet every other saturday or Sunday night, under supervision in the Community House. One Sunday night they had a "sing" and gave their silver collection to the parsonage fund. Many of them attend the Sunday Morning Service and seem interested in the work of the Church in their own way.

At a fellowship luncheon in Grand Rapids recently, Bishop Oxnam told attenders that the people of all denominations in each community must work together and subordinate lesser differences, also in a recent issue of The American Friend, Freda Hadley expresses the same thought of what can be done with an United Protestantism.

"Many discouragements await those who attempt any line of Church work, yet in the words of a sermon by Mr. Doty we must find our strength in this quotation:

"When the anchors that faith has cast,
Are dragging in the gale
I am quietly holding fast
To the things that cannot fail."

Report of the Statistical Committee for the year ending Dec. 31, 1946.

Received by letter 1; additions by error last year 1. Total number of members 99; namely:-

Borden, Hazel F. (Asso.)
Brownell, Elbert C. J. (Asso.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis

Chichester, Ervin O.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta
Cook, Peter (Asso.)
Cook, Deborah (Asso.)
Crosby, Mabel V. V.

Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)
Curtis, Wayne (Assoc.)

Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Ruth M.
Davis, Myra H.
Douglas, Margaret A.

Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, C. Arnold
Gifford, Theresa
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Corina M.

Hadfield, Irene A. S.
Hadfield, Ethel A. (Assoc.)
Hadfield, Judith D. (Assoc.)
Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Francis A.
Howland, Ruth L.

Jameson, Barbara

Kirby, Grace E.

Lawton, Florence
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)

Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
Mosher, Harwood
Mosher, Julia
Mosher, Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)

Oliver, Harriet (Assoc.)
Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)

Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Marion E.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carole A. (Assoc.
Pettey, May S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettengil, Edith (Assoc.)
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.

Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Sinnicks, Eleanor R.
Smith, William B.
Smith, Dorothy W.
Smith, Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Simon, Lois H.
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Towle, Virginia R.
Tripp, Louise B.
Tripp, Ruth A.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.

Vinton, Elizabeth S.
Vorwald, Gloria F.

Waite, E. May
Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E. L.

Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood, Marilyn
Woodcock, Loretta

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk, Third Month 29, 1945.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The queries were read and we appoint Abram J. Potter, Corina M. Gifford, Mabel E. Macomber and Frances A. Howland as our representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford Fourth Month next.

The statistical Committee presented their report: -(See Page 111.)

The question of our uniting with the Westport Point Methodist Church under the leadership of the same pastor, was discussed and the following were appointed to meet a similar committee from the Westport Point Church, viz: Charles A. Brightman, Dorothy W. Smith, C. Arnold Gifford, Frances A. Howland, and George W. McVey.

The meeting approved of the Overseers making a gift of $50 from the Keziah Gifford Fund for the school expenses of Imogene F. Brownell.

Adjourned.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Fourth Month 18th, 1945.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to recent Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford report that they attended with one exception.

We are informed by the Clerk that letters of transfer of membership have been received for George W. McVay from Washington Park Methodist Church, Providence R.I. and for Marion E. (Hudson) McVay from the First Reformed Church, Hasbrouck Heights N.J.

We are united in receiving them into membership with us and the Clerk is directed to inform the respective Churches of our action.

We approve contributing $10. to Tom Sykes Memorial Building.

The committee appointed to confer with the Westport Point Church presented the following report which was approved, viz:

We, the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends at Central Village, herein agree to a joint pastorate with the Westport Point Methodist Church for a trial period of one year.

"We herein agree that Rev. John Johannaber shall serve as pastor for both churches and that the salary of said pastor shall be shared equally between the two churches.

We of the Friends' Meeting are herein agreed that our share of said salary shall be $1100; the members of Westport Point Methodist Church being agreed to furnish parsonage support and $800 as their share which will be the equivalent of $1100.

We agree that this arrangement is in accord with both church groups and trust that by the steps herein taken the religious work in both communities will prosper and grow according to God's will."

Adjourned to meet at call of the Clerk,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Seventh Month 11th. 1947.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Queries were read.

We appoint Abram J. Potter and Edward L. Macomber as our representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth.

The Well Committee reported

Cost of 53 ft. – $265 + survey of land $18.64
½ of above amount $132.50 + $9.32 = $141.82

The report was accepted.

The Special Committee appointed in Tenth month is discharged.

A committee, consisting of Mr. J. Hannaber, Edward L. Macomber and Elizabeth A. Davis, was appointed to meet with and furnish information and suggestions to the Finance Committee.

We approve that an expenditure of $14.16 be made from the Olive Macomber Fund for the purchase of yarn for Service Committee Relief Work.

Adjourned,
Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Eighth Month 7th 1947.

Representatives to the recent Quarterly Meeting report that all attended.

Dean Wicks was present and discussed the possibility of purchasing part of our Horse Shed.

As the attendance was small no decision was reached in the matter of selling part or all of the Shed and Barn.

Adjourned
Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Eighth Month 19th, 1947.

The committee on grounds reported relative to the sale of a part of the sheds on the Meeting House grounds. After discussion the following minute was adopted:

Relative to the possible sale of a part of our horse shed, we approve of the sale of the west end of the shed and two open sections adjoining for $500 plus the re-siding of the remaining portion corresponding to opposite end and clearing the grounds of debris, foundation, and building material, so as to leave the grounds in an orderly condition.

We appoint C. Arnold Gifford, Francis R. Howland, Dorothy W. Smith, and Elizabeth A. Davis to serve with a similar committee from the Westport Point Church relative to work and activities which may or should be carried on by a united effort of both churches.

Corinna Gifford and Mr. Johannaber were appointed as a Literature Committee.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 25th 1947.

Queries were read and we appoint Corina M. Gifford, Alice A. Macomber, Abram J. Potter, and E. May Waite, as representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich.

The Proposed Budget for the year Jan. 1, 1948 — Dec. 31, 1948 (as approved by the Finance Committee) was presented by Mr. Johannaber

As our attendance was small we deferred further discussion and final approval of the Budget to our next monthly meeting.

We approve purchase of copies of the "Upper Room" by Mr. Johannabe

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 27th, 1947.

The representatives appointed to attend the recent Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich, report that they attended with one exception.

The Budget proposed by The Finance Committee for the calander year of 1948 was approved, viz:

The Proposed Budget
for The Friends' Meeting of Central Village
Jan. 1, 1948 - Dec. 31, 1948.

Minister's Salary	$1100.
World Service	200.
Janitor	100.
Music	40.
Fuel	50.
Electricity	40.
Insurance	75.
Youth Program	100.
Building Repairs	250.
Miscellaneous	100.
Parsonage Maintenance	60.
" Taxes	35
Improvement and Expan.	250.
	$2400

Matter of sale of part of the Parsonage Lot was referred to Grounds Committee to report to future meeting.

Approved the payment of $15 to George Young for services

We approve the purchase of a suitable pump for the Community House and C. Arnold Gifford and Raymond Hadfield were appointed a committee to purchase what they consider suitable.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Eleventh Month 20th, 1947.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The question of the sale of the Little Compton Meeting House and lot to the Little Compton Historical Society was discussed and was approved, subject to certain suggested reservations, and final action was deferred until a later meeting.

A request from Eleanor R. Zinnicke asking that she be given a letter of transfer of membership to the Second Presbyterian Church of Charlotte North Carolina was approved and the Clerk was authorized to forward the same on behalf of the meeting.

We appoint Alice A. Macomber and Mrs. johannaber to send Christmas Greetings to members and others.

Adjourned to the call of the Clerk.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Twelth Month 11, 1947.

Met at the call of the Clerk.

The Overseers and Trustees were authorized to sign a deed conveying the Little Compton Meeting House Property to the Little Compton Historical Society.

Frances A. Howland, Abram J. Potter and Edward L. Macomber were appointed representatives to the next session of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

We are united in accepting the following persons into membership with us, viz:

John H. Davis, Mary M. Davis, Henry F. Perry, and Raymond W. Hadfield and as associate members Virginia M. McVay and Don A. Hadfield.

George W. McVay, Charles A. Brightman and Elvira O. Chichester were appointed to bring forward names of persons to fill our annual appointments and to include a music committee of three members.

The Finance Com. reported pledges of $1722.80 on account of the 1948 Budget

Marion McVay, Mary M. Davis and Mr. Johannaber were appointed a committee to purchase new hymn books.

We authorize our treasurer to send a contribution of $100 to the Crusade Challenge Campaign of the Boston University School of Theology.

The Clerk has informed us that at the request of Eleanor R. Sinnicks a letter has been forwarded to the Second Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, N.C. stating that she is a member in good standing and that we commend her to fellowship with them.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Second Month 17, 1948.

Representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting report that all were in attendance.

The committee on nominations presented a report which the meeting approved and the following persons are hereby appointed the positions designated for the ensuing year or until another appointment

Clerk: Edward L. Macomber

Assist Clerk: Marion McVay

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Asst. Treas: Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
Edward L. Macomber
Charles A. Brightman
Ruth L. Howland

Committee on Meeting House Parsonage and Grounds
William J. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Raymond W. Hadfield
C. Arnold Gifford

Finance Committee
Dorothy W. Smith
Abram J. Potter
Charles A. Brightman
Frances A. Howland
John H. Davis
Ruth L. Howland
E. May Waite

Statistical Committee
Marion McVay
Lois H. Simon
Mabel E. Macomber

Community House + Governing Board.

Senior Members	Junior Members
George W. McVay	Howard W. Gifford
Ruth L. Howland	Marilyn Curtis
Elizabeth A. Davis	

Auditing Committee
George McVay
Lois H. Simon

Board of Christian Education
Edward L. Macomber + Sunday School Teachers.

Women's Work Committee	Mary M. Davis Elvira O. Chichester.
Social Action Committee	Mary M. Davis Alice A. Macomber (declined to serve.)
Literature Committee	E. May Waite Corina Gifford
Music Committee	Marion McVay Mary M. Davis Charles A. Brightman William J. Smith George W. McVay

The committee on Hymn Books reported that 75 new Hymn Books had been purchased.

We approve payment of $300 on account of the new organ.

The music committee are authorized to dispose of the old piano.

Marion McVay and Irene Hadfield are appointed to obtain information as to the cost of new cushion covers and report to the next meeting.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Officers and Teachers of Sunday School.

Superintendant	Edward L. Macomber
Asst. "	Charles A. Brightman
Secretary	Geraldine Potter
Asst. "	Agnes Waite
Treasurer	Arthur C. Allen
Ass't. "	Abram J. Potter
Home Dept. & Cradle Roll.	Mary S. Pettey Elvira Chichester
Flower Committee	Arthur C. Allen

Community House } Agnes Waite
Gov. Board (Junior) } Edward Sharples

Community House George McVay
Gov. Board (Senior) Elvira Chichester
Organist — Charles A. Brightman

Teachers + substitutes

Edward L. Macomber	Class No. 1.	Abram J. Potter
Elvira Chichester	" " 2.	Alice A. Macomber May S. Pettey
E. May Waite	" " 3.	Marilyn Perry Dorothy D. Smith
George W. McVay	" " 4.	Charles A. Brightman
Elizabeth A. Davis	" " 5.	Inez Gifford Irene Hadfield
Mabel E. Macomber	Prim. Dept.	Corina Gifford
Frances A. Howland	Begin. "	Gertrude Taylor

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held at the call of the Clerk Third Month 14th, 1948.

The committee appointed to consult with the Westport Point Church relative to the engagement of Mr. Johannaber for the coming year made a report

The meeting approved continuance of the present arrangements with the Westport Point Church.

Matter of increasing salary of Mr. Johannaber was discussed but no definite decision was reached.

We approve presenting our old organ to Charles A Brightman.

Adjourned to meet in the evening Third Month 18th.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Third Month, 18th 1948.

Met according to adjourment.

Attendance being small we adjourn

to meet at the Church next Thursday evening the 25th at 7:30.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held by adjournment Third Month 25th 1948.

The Queries were read and we appoint Abram J. Potter, George W. McVay and Marion E. McVay as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford.

The following new members were proposed by Mr. Johannaber and approved:

Edward Sharples, Winifred Sharples
Edward Sharples, Jr. Eleanor Wade

and as Associate members: —

Barbara A. Sharples James L. Sharples
Linwood Sharples

George W. McVay and Elizabeth Davis were appointed to arrange for collection of Sunday offerings.

The Treasurer presented a Statement of Funds on hand as of Dec. 31, 1947.

Marion E. McVay was asked to request the various organizations within the Meeting to present reports on their financial status and have an over-all Financial Statement ready for presentation at the next Montly Meeting

The Statistical Committee presented their report and it was approved.

Alice A. Macomber presented a report on the State of Society to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting and it was approved

The House and Grounds Committee were asked to make a survey of necessary improvements at the parsonage.

Marion E. McVay gave a report on the costs of re-upholstering the seat cusions in the meeting house. It was decided to approve the bid of $504.00 from

Fazio's Chair Shop of Fall River and all those interested were asked to assist the committee in the selection of material and the color to be used.

Helen Curtis, a representative from the Woman's Club, reported on her committee's trip to Boston to purchase dishes for the Community House.

Adjourned to the call of the Clerk.
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Statistical Report for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1947.

Additions: — by Birth 1; by Request 6, by Letter 2. Total additions 9. Loss by Letter 1, Total loss 1. Net Gain, 8. Number of members this year 107. namely: —

Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. I. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud P.
Brownell, Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Phyllis
Chichester, Elvira O.
Clark, Ruth M.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Cook, Edward A.
Cook, Alberta
Cook, Peter (Assoc.)
Cook, Deborah (Assoc.)
Crosby, Mabel V.
Curtis, Mahlon
Curtis, Helen
Curtis, Marilyn (Assoc.)
Curtis, Wayne (Assoc.)
Davis, John H.

Davis, Mary M.
Davis, Elizabeth A.
Davis, Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, Sara A.
Gifford, C. Arnold
Gifford, Theresa F.
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Corina M.
Hadfield, Raymond W.
Hadfield, Irene A. S.
Hadfield, Ethel A. (Assoc.)
Hadfield, Judith D. (Assoc.)
Hadfield, Don A. (Assoc.)
Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Francis A.

Howland, Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Kirby, Grace E.
Lawton, Florence M.
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)
Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, Ada S.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
Mc Vay, George W.
Mc Vay Marion E.
Mc Vay, Virginia (Assoc)
Mosher, Harwood
Mosher, Julia
Mosher, Sherman
Mulligan, Robert C. (Assoc.)
Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)
Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Henry F.
Perry, Marion E.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carole A. (Assoc.)
Pettey, May S.
Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pettengill, Edith (Assoc.)
Potter, Abram J.
Potter, Lynwood F. (Assoc.)

Reynolds, Ethel M.
Scott, Harriet
Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Assoc.)
Smith, William B.
Smith, Dorothy W.
Smith, Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Simon, Lois H.
Simon, Joan E. (Assoc.)
Steinmetz, Virginia C.
Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Khalil A.
Towle, Virginia R.
Tripp, Louise B.
Tripp, Ruth W.
Tripp, Arthur V. Jr.
Vinton, Elizabeth S.
Vorwald, Gloria F.
Waite, E. May
Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood, Annie L.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood, Russell G. (Assoc.)
Wood, Marilyn
Woodcock, Louetta

Report of State of Society of Westport Montly Meeting of Friends

Westport Monthly Meeting has made a change in Pastoral Work the past year, by uniting with the Methodist Church at Westport Point in hiring a Boston

University student for part time service.

Rev. John W. Johannaber gives four days a week to the two churches. The rest of the time he is at B.U. continuing his studies.

Sunday morning Service is at 11:15 instead of 11: A.M. in order to accomodate the Point Church.

The average attendance is between forty and forty-five. Some new people seem interested in the Church. We can say we are ministering to the needs of our Community.

Fifteen people were received into the Church on Easter Sunday.

We have purchased new Hymn Books and a new Estey Electric Organ. The Choir with some outside help gave a Christmas Cantata.

We have contributed $65.00 to the United Budget, $10.00 to Friendsville academy, $10.00 to the Tom Sykes Memorial Fund and expended $14.16 for yarn to be knitted into garments for American Friends Service.

Virginia Lowle is the only member engaged in work outside the community

As we had no Woman's Organization in the Church, one has been formed in the past few months called "Women's Community Club."

Object - To promote the social life of the Church, to aid in material improvements, to study the needs of the world and to help in such benevolent purposes as its members shall by vote direct.

Membership - Membership is open to any woman interested in the endeavor of the Club.

The teen-age group is called the Village-Pointers and meet sometimes at our Community House and sometimes in homes at the Point.

The Pioneers and Midgets meet the need of the youngest groups. The Pioneers, composed of small boys meet at the Parsonage with the minister, and the Midgets, small girls, are supervised by women of both Churches.

As we have had student ministers, for the past thirty years, from Boston University and feel that their help has no doubt kept our meeting alive, at times when no other help was available, we gave them a donation for the School of Theology Building to be erected on the New Charles River Campus.

In a recent issue of the American Friend on Christian Education of the Inner Man, we find these words: We have melted externals, because they have been seen for what they are. Christian education is Growth through sharing and service, At its best Christian education is loving people with the love that is of God".

We feel that we have made the right move in uniting with the Point Church and that Mr. + Mrs. Johannaber are faithful leaders, yet we wish some members of their congregations were more imbued with the Golden Rule.

The Sunday School the past year has averaged 36. We have had small attendance during the very hard winter, yet with two exceptions kept open.

Perhaps the most outstanding work was the combined Vacation Bible School held for one week in July by the two Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 32 and 29 perfect attenders.

The giving of Bibles at Christmas Time was the other high light. Five boys and six girls received Bibles inscribed on the fly leaf in Mrs. Johannaber's fine printing with their names and the donor, Friends Sunday School, a gift we hope they will treasure thru life.

The Boys Class has collected clothing for the A. F. S. relief work.

The Treasurer's report shows collections of $181.50 which pays for supplies, Easter Flowers, Pansies for Mother's Day, Pins for good attendance and other expenses. The Sunday School must still be the best factor in Christian Education altho it needs more teachers willing to sacrifice some time on Sunday for the upbuilding of the Church.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Month 1st, 1948.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting in Fourth Month were all in attendance

We appoint Francis A. Howland, Alice A. Macomber, Corina M. Gifford and Irene A. S. Hadfield as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in West Falmouth.

The financial report prepared by Marion E. McVay was read and approved.

As the committee on House and Grounds had no report on proposed improvements, the matter was continued.

The Overseers were authorized to expend from the Olive Macomber Fund not exceeding $20. for the purchase of yarn and also $5, as a contribution to Friendsville Academy.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 30, 1948.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting held at West Falmouth report that all but one attended.

We appoint Corina M. Gifford, Abram J. Potter, Theresa F. Gifford, and Marion E. McVay as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sandwich next month.

A letter of thanks was received from Dorothy I. Acheson for our contribution of Five ($5) Dollars to help defray transportation of an organ given to Friends' Mission in Cascade Mission, Jamaica

Marion McVay reported that most of the new cushions for the Church had already been received.

At the suggestion of George W. McVay that a committee be appointed to obtain facts and figures on the cost of installation of a heating system in the Church and Community House to report at our next meeting, the following were appointed Raymond W. Hadfield, Mahlon E. Curtis, and Mary M. Davis

We request Mr. Johannaber to secure from the Finance Committee and Treasurer a statement of available funds which may be used towards the cost of the proposed heating system and report the same to our next meeting.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held Eleventh Month 14, 1948

We approve the recommendation of the Heating Committee for the installation of a Florence Heater with Circulating motor - one in the Church and one in the Community House - at an estimated cost of $176.95 each and the installation of new chrome pipe on the new and present heaters at an additional cost of approximately $100.

The House and Grounds Committee reported they plan to re-putty and paint the windows, install new storm windows and fix the foundations of the Church, replace shingles on the parsonage, install a storm door and fix the chimney on the Community House.

The Heating Committee are authorized to purchase and install recommended heating equipment.

The Budget proposed by the Finance Committee for the calander year of 1949 was approved, viz:

Minister's Salary	$1300.
Budget for Activities	100.
Yearly Meeting Assessment	165.
Janitor	100.
Music	40.
Fuel	120.
Electricity	60.
Insurance	75.
Youth Program	100.
Building Repairs	250.
Printing, postage + supplies	50.
Local Benevolences	40.
Cemetery Care	29.
Parsonage Maintenance	60.
Parsonage Taxes	65.
Parsonage Improvements	200.
	$2754

Adjourned,
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held First Month 2d, 1949.

We appoint Abram J. Potter, Frances A. Howland, Corina M. Gifford and Sophia E. Hawkes as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford on First Month 8th 1949.

Adjourned to meet First Month 6th at 7:30 P.M.

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held according to adjournment First Month 6th 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

Mary M. Davis, Raymond W. Hadfield, Dorothy W. Smith are appointed a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments.

Dorothy W. Smith reported that pledges amounting to $242.20 had been received by the Finance Committee and the Committee is encouraged to wind up its campaign shortly.

Adjourned to meet 2d month 17th

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 17th, 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Nominating Committee presented a list of officers and committees for the ensuing year which was accepted by the meeting and the persons named therein are appointed to serve in their respective stations for the ensuing year or until another appointment

Clerk:— Edward L. Macomber
Ass't. Clerk:—Marion E. McVey

Treasurer:— Edward L. Macomber
Ass't. Treasurer;—Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
- Alice A. Macomber
- Mary M. Davis
- Edward L. Macomber
- Charles A. Brightman

Property Committee
- Raymond W. Hadfield
- Henry F. Perry
- Mahlon G. Curtis
- Stanley E. Gifford

Finance Committee
- William J. Smith
- Dorothy W. Smith
- Elvira O. Chichester
- Charles A. Brightman
- John H. Davis
- Lois H. Simon
- Abram J. Potter
- C. Arnold Gifford
- Helen E. Curtis
- Edward L. Macomber
- Ruth L. Howland

Statistical Committee
- Mabel E. Macomber
- George W. McVey
- Corina M. Gifford

Community House Governing Board.

Senior Members	Junior Members
Helen E. Curtis	Eleanor Wade
Winifred K. Sharples	Howard W. Gifford

Auditing Committee
Lois H. Simon
Irene A. S. Hadfield

Board of Christian Education.
Frances A. Howland + Teachers + Officers of the Sunday School.

Womans' Work Committee
Mary M. Davis + Elvira D. Chichester

Social Action Committee — George W. McVay

Literature Committee — E. May Waite

Music Committee
Marion E. McVay
George W. McVay
Charles A. Brightman
Winifred K. Sharples
William J. Smith

A letter from Edward A. Cook was read requesting release of his wife Alberta and their minor children Peter and Deborah as members as they are uniting with an Episcopal Church.

The meeting approved of granting this request and the Clerk is directed to inform them of our action.

We appoint Frances A. Howland, Mary M. Davis and C. Arnold Gifford to meet a similar committee to nominate elders

We approve of the Woman's Club project for improving the toilet facilities of the Community House and welcome further reports before action is taken

We direct each committee to report to each Monthly Meeting.

We approve the Minister's salary at the rate of $1300 per year beginning Jan. 1, 1949.

The Womens Committee reported that 60 new chairs had been purchased for the Community House.

Adjourned to meet 3d Mo. 17 1949
Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held 3d Mo. 17, 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We have received the resignation of Dorothy W. Smith as chairman of the Finance Committee which is accepted and the Finance Committee is requested to name another chairman in her place.

We approve the plan of "One Great Hour" requested by the American Friends Service Committee.

The following regulations of the Community House Governing Board are approved.

Regulations of Friend's Community House.

Believing that Christianity concerns all of life and that no area of it should remain untouched by the uplifting force, and believing further that the recreational and social life of men should be guided into wholesome channels we have constucted this house for parish and community use.

That it may carry out the purpose for which it was built, we, the Governing Board duly elected and so authorized by the Friend's Sunday School and the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends, make these simple rules governing the activities in this house.

1. All who use this house are asked to remember that it is a Christian house, is the property of a Christian Church and is to be used solely for Christian activities. All activities in this house are to be of a Christian character. All individual be-

havior in or near this House is to be of the same character.

2. There shall be no drinking of alcoholic liquors or beverages in this house or on its grounds. The Governing Board reserves the right to refuse entrance to anyone who violates this rule. Intoxicated persons or those with intoxicating liquors on their person will on no occasion be admitted

3. There shall be no gambling in this building.

4. There shall be no public dances or activities at which admission is charged other than those sponsored by our church groups and supervised by the Governing Board.

5. Those desiring to use the Community House must make reservations with the Chairman of the Governing Board and designate a person in charge of the activity,

6. When any group uses the Community House there shall be a person designated by the Chairman of the Governing Board to see that the house is used properly and in order for the next activity.

7. Any community group or Church member using the hall for private use shall donate for use of the building and be responsible for leaving it in good order.

8. All fires shall be completely extinguished before the building is left.

9. All Saturday evening meetings and activities shall be terminated at 11:00 in order not to interfere with attendance upon public worship on Sunday morning.

10. The Governing Board reserves the right to limit the use of the House at its discretion.

11. All who use this House must agree to obey these rules. Any violations observed are to be reported to the Governing Board.

Their interpretation of the rule and its violation is final.

Signed
Governing Board

Community House Governing Board of The Westport Monthly Meeting.

1. Members:
Senior Members
Three elected by the Monthly Meting
Two elected by the Sunday School
Junior Members
Three elected by the Monthly Meeting
Two elected by the Sunday School.
The clerk and pastor shall be members ex-officio.

2. Duties of the Governing Board.
(a) To meet during the month following their election to organize the board and to review the regulations governing the use of the Community House, which regulations shall be presented to the Monthly Meeting for approval. These regulations shall take precedence over all preceeding regulations.
(b) To meet every three months the meeting to be called by the Chairman.
(c) To be responsible that the Regulations of the Friend's Community House are observed and the good order of meetings and property are maintained.
(d) It shall be the duty of the chairman to designate one person to be present whenever the Community House is used in order to enforce the Regulations. To receive reservations for the use of House and keep schedule of same.
(e) It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep an accurate record of meetings, to post an up-to-date copy of the Regulations

in the Community House, to record same with the Clerk of the Monthly Meeting, and to keep an accurate and up-to-date list of prices on silver and china in the kitchen, and assist chairman in keeping and posting schedule of activities in the Community House.

(f) It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all donations collected for the use of the property and to record faithfully all receipts and expenditures of such money.

(g) The Chairman of the Governing Board will issue and keep record of all keys.

(h) Any loan of equipment shall be at the discretion of the Governing Board.

(i) It shall be the duty of the person designated by the chairman to be responsible for and attend functions in the Community House.

1. To see that the Regulations are observed.
2. To see that all fires are extinguished before leaving
3. To check all silver, dishes, and cooking utensils after use. To record names of persons who take utensils home, this record to be posted in kitchen.
4. To see that the house is left in good order.
5. To collect for any breakage of china, etc.

The following persons are nominated as Elders and the Clerk is directed to forward the same to the meeting of Ministry and Counsel for their approval

For one year, May S. Pettey, Corina M. Gifford
For two years, Earl H. Wood, Elvira O. Chichester
For three years, William J. Smith, Sophia E. Hawkes

We approve tentative plans proposed by the Womans' Community Club for the installation of toilets.

We approve the suggestion of the Property

Committee for removing gate posts and repairing drives

A request for a letter transferring the membership of Grace E. Friedman to the Pacific Union Congregational Church was received and considered. The Clerk is directed to prepare, sign, and forward the same on our behalf.

Adjourned
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held at call of Clerk, Third Month 20, 1949.

We appoint as our representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held at New Bedford next month;--Sophia E. Hawkes Elvira O. Chichester and Frances A. Howland.

Adjourned
Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Report of the Spiritual Condition of Westport Monthly Meeting.

The calendar on my desk has this quotation from Theodore Roosevelt.

> "Far, and away the best prize that life offers,
> Is the chance to work hard, at work worth doing."

There has certainly been an opportunity for such work in Central Village Meeting the past year.

As soon as Yearly Meeting was over preparations were made for Vacation Bible School, which was held for two weeks with a staff of thirteen teachers from the two schools of Westport Point and Central Village.

The school was held in the Church, Community House, and Grange Hall and the transportation was furnished by parents, relatives and friends of the children who would be included in the district of these two Churches.

The total enrollment was 92, with 72 having perfect attendance

The crowded Church on the closing night gave evidence that the parents were well gratified with the result.

Our Meeting the past year has had the satisfactory ministry of Rev. John Johannaber who is also pastor at Westport Point. Mrs. Johannaber also, has been very helpful in the Church Work.

Last year we gave Bibles to Sunday School pupils and more have been given this year. About Christmas time word reached us of the urgent need for Bibles in Japan, from Mabel Francis, who has given her life to the work in that country. She was the daughter of a former minister in our village and South Westport. She stayed in Japan during the last War, altho many times urged to leave. Now, learning of her need for Bibles we joined with members of former Churches and friends to send her, her desire thru money sent to Japan, as printing there is cheaper than in our country. We have learned recently that she greatly appreciates this gift.

One of our members, Virginia Lowe, is now with her husband at Friends School in Woodbrooke, England, studying to prepare themselves for future work in Norway if way opens.

They seem to be much in line of the Quaker of a generation ago who felt the concern and call for service in distant fields.

The Women's Community Club organized a year ago has continued with the same aim, "To promote the spiritual and social life of its members, to aid in material improvement of the Church property, to study the needs of the world, and to help in such benevolent purposes as its members shall by vote direct."

Besides purchasing new dishes and chairs for the Community House they have sponsored the Conferences and transportation of children to the Clinic, held in the Town Building for Westport Child Welfare Work.

We have continued sending knitted goods and contributions to A. F. S. C. and also given at this time one half of the rigid tax imposed on us by the Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting.

We have given $35.40 to the United Budget and $5.00 toward an organ for Jamaica.

At Christmas time the picture of the Church was placed on a calendar and sent to many non-residents and former pastors and friends.

Return Greetings were received from many: among them, May E. Taylor - in Maine W. Carlton Wood & Jackson Butler, - in California and Elizabeth Sykes in North Carolina;

A letter was sent by your Corresponding sec. to Senator Saltonstall regarding the deplorable conditions of the Navajos in the South-West.

The collection on March 27th for the A. F. S. C. on "The One Great Hour" was $48.60.

The Primary Dept. seems "full of pep" and the older classes have enjoyed their visits down stairs.

The Sunday School Primary children and any others desiring to go were given a picnic at Edaville last September. The day gave great pleasure to those attending.

We are pleased that Mr. McVay and Mrs. Waite have maintained a boys' and girls' teen age class and the missing space between age and early youth is supplied by Mr. and Mrs. Johannaber with their Youth Club.

This missing class is the upper teen age and the twenties. Of this class, I quote from a recent number of the Christian Century. (Prof. Wesner Fallow of Andover Newton Theological) speaking of this group he says; "By less religious, I mean less bound to the Church. But they are potentially religious in the sense of holding in readiness high devotion to a Christian fellowship that transcends the sect, and its instrument, the denominational Church."

Near the last of his article he says; "On two fronts youth is ready to advance; on that of Community organization and on that of personal and group spiritual needs.

Primarily activistic youth still yearns for theological dimensions which they have seldom found within the limits of Churches whose exertions have been thrown into sheer survival."

There are several projects now in view for improvement in our work at Central Village.

Can this missing Sunday School age be interested in some field of work? The Church, Club, or Sunday School?

Robert Browning reminds us that: "All Service ranks the same with God."

Surely there is a place for everyone.

In a recent issue of the American Friend we find a poem with these lines;

"When a man is lost in labor
Yes, the soul works too.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 21st 1949.

The minutes of Third Month 17th + 20th were read and approved.

The Finance Committee reported that they had appointed Helen Curtis, Chairman of that committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dorothy W. Smith

A letter was read from J. Franklin Pineo, Financial Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, thanking the meeting for the contribution of $48.68 to the "One Great Hour" program

Reports of the Treasurer and of the Statistical Committee were read and approved

We approve the expenditure of $15 from the Olive Macomber Fund for the purchase of yarn.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber
Clerk.

Statistical Report for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1948.

Additions by Request 7. Net gain 7.
Number of members this year 114. Namely:-

Bingham, Marilyn
Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C.I. (")
" , Maud P.
" , Immogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
" , Mildred A.
" , Lloyd A.
" , Phyllis
Chichester, Elvira O.
Clark, Ruth M.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
" Edward A.

Cook, Alberta
" , Peter (Assoc.)
" Deborah "
Crosby, Mabel F.
Curtis, Mahlon G.
" Helen E.
" , Marilyn (Assoc.)
" , Wayne "
Davis, John H.
" , Mary M.
" , Elizabeth A.
" Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Friedman, Grace E.

Gifford, Robert A.
" , Eugenie M.
" , Stanley E.
" , Inez
" , Sandra (Assoc.)
" , Sara A.
" , C. Arnold
" , Theresa F.
" , Richard A. (Assoc.)
" , Howard W. (")
" , Corina M.
Hadfield, Raymond W.
" , Irene A. S.
" , Ethel A. (Assoc.)
" , Judith D. (")
" , Don A. (")
Harticon, William F. (")
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Frances A.
" , Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Lawton, Edith M. (Assoc.)
" , Florence M.
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)
Macomber, Edward L.
" , Ada S.
" , John A.
" , Hattie F.
" , Alice A.
" , Mabel E.
" , Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
Mc Vay, George W.
" , Marion E.
" , Virginia (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood S.
" , Julia B
" , Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)
Oliver, Belle T. (Assoc.)

Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Henry F
" , Marion E.
, John H. (Assoc.)
, Carole A. (")
Pettey, May S.
" Everett H. (")
Potter, Abram J.
" , Lynwood F. (Assoc.)
Reynolds, Ethel M.
Scott, Harriet (Assoc.)
Sharples, Edward
" , Winifred K.
" , Edward Jr.
" , Barbara A. (Assoc.)
" , Linwood "
" , James L. "
Shaw, Louise E
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
" , Richard E. (")
Smith, William J.
" , Dorothy W.
" , Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Simon, Lois H.
" , Joan E. (")
Steinmetz, Virginia C.
Tilton, Verna A. (Assoc.)
Totah, Kahlil A.
Towle, Virginia R.
Tripp, Louise B.
" , Ruth W.
" , Arthur V. Jr.
Vinton, Elizabeth S.
Vorwald, Gloria F.
Wade, Eleanor
Waite, E. May
Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E. L.

Wood, Annie L.
" , Earl H.
" , Raymond A.
Wood, Harold S. (assoc.)
" , Russell G. (")
Woodcock, Louetta

Westport Monthly Meeting held Fifth Month 19th, 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed by Sandwich Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel that our nominations for Elders have been approved and we do hereby appoint the following persons, viz:

For one year; May S. Pettey + Corina M. Gifford
For two years, Earl H. Wood + Elvira O. Chichester
For three years William J. Smith + Sophia C. Hawkes;
to serve for the terms designated or until their successors are appointed

We approve the expenditure of $200, as the Church's share of the cost of installation of toilets, as tentatively proposed by the Womans' Community Club, if and when they submit satisfactory evidence that such installation can be secured without additional cost.

Adjourned
Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held Sixth Month 16th 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We are informed that the representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford in Fourth Month all attended.

We approve payment of $2.50 from

the Olive Macomber legacy as a contribution to Friendsville Academy to be in conjunction with a similar amount contributed by the Sunday School.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1,370.82 as of June 1st.

The Property Committee were authorized to expend an amount not exceeding $200, for the improvement of the Church yard.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held at the call of the Clerk Seventh Month 3d 1949.

We appoint as our representatives to the coming Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth: Alice A. Macomber, Corina M. Gifford, and Sophia E. Hawkes.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Seventh Month 21st, 1949.

The minutes of the last Monthly Meeting and a Special Meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth, report that all attended except one who was absent on account of illness.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1387.26 as of July 1st.

Mary Davis reported for the Woman's Club.

William Smith reported progress in clearing the Church yard.

Assessment of the Yearly Meeting was discussed.

Adjourned.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eighth Month 18, 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1433.46 as of August 1st.

We authorize the Property Committee to sell an old settee belonging to the meeting.

Alice A. Macomber presented $10.50 received from the sale of furniture, sold with approval of the Property Committee, and to be held towards the purchase of a Power Lawn Mower.

The Meeting on Ministry and Counsel are requested to call a meeting on the second Sunday in September to review the Church membership list.

We approve the Church Community Group plan presented by Mr. Johannaber.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 15th 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following persons are appointed as representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich in Tenth Month viz: Corina M. Gifford, Frances A. Howland and Alice A. Macomber.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1,443.89 as of Sept. 1st.

We approve the following recommendation of the Meeting of Ministry and Counsel, viz

Inasmuch as associate membership is extended automatically to the children of members and is to be considered the form of membership held during childhood the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel recommends that in the event that an associate member does not unite with the church in full membership on the basis of his own desire, purpose, decision and commitment before he reaches the age of twenty-one he be automatically dropped from his associate membership.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Tenth Month 20 th 1949.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly at Sandwich report that all attended.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1,553.94 as of Oct. 1, 1949.

We are glad to report the presence of Philip and Virginia Towle who recently visited England as representatives of the American Young Friends Fellowship.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 17 th, 1949.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1424.44 as of Nov. 1st.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting Stewardship Committee was read and discussed.

We approve payment by the Treasurer of $55. for the Yearly Meeting Budget.

Approved holding Monthly Meetings on the third Thursday of each month or at such time as Clerk and Pastor approve.

We appoint Mary M. Davis, Elvira O. Chichester and Charles A. Brightman a committee to propose names of persons to fill our annual appointments.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

At Westport Monthly Meeting held at the call of the Clerk, Twelfth month 18th, 1949, E. May Waite, Frances A. Howland, and Edward L. Macomber were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford in First Month 1950.

Adjourned,

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Officers and Committees for 1950.

Clerk: — Edward L. Macomber
Ass't Clerk — Marion E. McVay

Treasurer: Edward L. Macomber
Ass't Treasurer: — Ruth L. Howland

Overseers and Board of Trustees
- Alice A. Macomber
- Mary M. Davis
- Edward L. Macomber
- Charles A. Brightman

Property Committee
- Raymond W. Hadfield
- Henry F. Perry
- Mahlon G. Curtis
- Stanley E. Gifford
- William J. Smith

Elders for three years — May S. Pettey + Corina M. Gifford

Finance Committee
Helen E. Curtis
William J. Smith
Elvira O. Chichester
Dorothy W. Smith
John H. Davis
Lois H. Simon
C. Arnold Gifford
Abram J. Potter
Edward L. Macomber
Ruth L. Howland

Statistical Committee
Mabel E. Macomber
George W. McVay
Corina M. Gifford

Community House Governing Board

Senior Members	Junior Members
Helen E. Curtis	Eleanor Wade
Winifred K. Sharples	Howard W. Gifford
Charles A. Brightman	Ethel A. Hadfield

Auditing Committee
Lois H. Simon
Irene A. S. Hadfield

Board of Christian Education — Frances A. Howland and Teachers and Officers of the Sunday School.

Women's Work Committee
May S. Fetty
Elvira O. Chichester

Social Action Committee — George W. McVay

Literature Committee — E. May Waite

Music Committee
Marion McVay
Edward Sharples
William J. Smith
George W. McVay
Winifred K. Sharples

Statistical Report for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1947. Additions by Birth 2; Loss by Resignation 4. Loss by letter to another Denomination 1. Total number of members 111, namely.

Bingham, Marilyn
Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. L. (Assoc.)
" , Maud P.
" , Imogene F.
Brightman, Charles A.
" , Mildred A.
, Lloyd A.
Phyllis
Chichester, Elvira O.
Clark, Ruth M.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Crosby, Mabel V.
Curtis, Mahlon G.
" , Helen E.
" , Marilyn (Assoc.)
" , Wayne "
Davis, John H.
" , Mary M.
" , Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Gifford, Robert A.
" , Eugenie M.
" , Stanley E.
" , Inez
" , Sandra (Assoc.)
" , Sara A.
" , C. Arnold
" , Theresa F
" , Richard A. (Assoc.)
" , Howard W. (")
" , Corina M.
Gomes, Elizabeth
Hadfield, Raymond W.

Hadfield, Irene A. S.
" , Ethel A. (Assoc.)
" , Judith D. (")
" , Don A. (")
Harticon, William F. (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Francis A.
" , Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Lawton, Edith (Assoc.)
" , Florence M.
LeBaigue, Belle (Assoc.)
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)
Macomber, Edward L.
" , Ada S.
" , John A.
" , Hattie F.
" , Alice A.
" , Mabel E.
" , Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
McVay, George W.
" , Marion L.
" , Virginia (Assoc.)
" , George W. Jr. "
Mosher, Harwood
" , Julia
" , Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)
Payne, Virginia R. (")
Perry, Henry F.
" , Marion E.
" , John H. (Assoc.)
" , Carole A. (")
Pettey, May S.

Pettey, Everett H. (Assoc.)
Potter, Abram J.
" , Lynwood F. (Assoc.)
Reynolds, Ethel M.
Scott, Harriet (Assoc.)
Sharples, Edward
" , Winifred K.
" , Edward Jr.
" , Barbara A. (Assoc.)
" , Linwood (")
" , James L. (")
Shaw, Louise B.
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
" , Richard E. (Assoc.)
Smith, William B.
" , Dorothy W.
" , Nancy J. (Assoc.)
Simon, Lois H.
" , Joan E. (Assoc.)
" , Carl H. (")
Steinmetz, Virginia C.

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Towle, Virginia R.
Tripp, Louise B.
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Vorwald, Gloria F.
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Waite, E. May
Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
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" , Earl H.
" , Raymond A.
" , Harold S. (Assoc.)
" , Russell G. (")
Woodcock, Louetta

Report of the condition in Westport Monthly Meeting

The year 1950 finds Westport Monthly Meeting facing their usual problems and some others, yet we have many things to be thankful for.

The year just past under the leadership of Rev. John Johannaber has been successful in many respects, and it is with regret that by June 1st he is leaving for Sioux City, Iowa and it is our job to find some one to fill his place

In the London Friend of Dec. 1949 there is reference given to a pamphlet on the relations between early Quakerism and Methodism in England. Altho these two bodies were not exactly friendly, "they were the two tougher strains" in the English religious life of a certain period.

"This excellent study says the writer" of this article, teaches Friends what they should cherish and what reject.

We have for many years received help from Boston University and we must again look to Boston University Theological for help, or we shall become like many of our New England friends meetings; either a Summer Meeting or an Occasional Meeting.

This kind of meeting while it has a place for a day, cannot do the work of the Church, so much needed in many of our country meetings.

Virginia Towle, a member of our meeting, has with her husband, a member of Worcester Meeting, visited many meetings in New England and they have shown colored slides of their journeys in England, Ireland and Holland.

They also went to High Schools, Clubs and organizations, to acuaint yong people with the youth of other lands.

These visitations which they are now continuing in northern New York, Vermont, Canada, and Michigan seem much like those of early Friends who sort to bring greetings and helps to scattered groups

The Woman's Community Club which is the Social Life of the Church have held true to their Aim in their work the past year.

They have sponsored the "Well Baby Conference" for the town which has averaged for the past year about 100 children.

A gas stove has been purchased for the Community House, two toilets installed, and a substantial iron railing on the steps adds to safety and appearance.

The average attendance on Sunday mornings has been around 40. The membership is slightly reduced and maybe more because of the imposed tax to every member, even the children under 21, which we consider unfair.

After much thought and consideration the Meeting on Ministry and Council sent letters to members who were not contributing to the regular support of the Church. We have had eight replies so far and some wish to be retained. It is a question whether this was the best way of studying our membership but the demands of the Finance Committee seemed to force it.

We are in need of many things to improve the appearance of the Church and Yard, but we hope they will come in the future.

We have contributed to the United Budget of the Five Years Meeting, One Great Hour, and have just paid our last payment on the rigid tax. Also we have given to our Allen's Neck Friends a contribution to their rebuilding expenses. Several individuals have done knitting during the year for American Friends Service

The Sunday School has had an average attendance of 40 the past year. We have a pleasing Beginners and Primary Department with a fair supply of teachers but for the upper classes it has been hard to secure teachers. We have however two good groups averageing five to ten each. One group is much interested in a View Master as they study their lesson.

We have two to four boys in the lower teen age taught by a boy in 3rd year High

James Coney showed his pictures of Africa Mission Work one Sunday last April and it gave pleasure to the whole Sunday School.

The age between Junior and Adults is not seen much at Sunday School, but meet with Mr. Johannaber every week for Worship and Discussion in their homes. At present they are sending their contributions to "Care".

The Sunday School has besides handling its usual Christmas, Easter, and Hallowe'en celebrations and expense for supplies, contributed to: Red Cross, Westport Sunday School Assoc., Friendsville Academy, Wyandott Indians and purchased Wreaths and Bars for those having good attendance.

We hope that both Church and Sunday School are helping to improve the lives of children and adults in Central Village and fit the children to be better citizens wherever their future homes may be.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 26th, 1950.

The minutes of Eleventh Month 17th and Twelth Month 18th were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report for 1949 was approved.

We approve making a contribution of $50 to Allen's Neck to help in their rebuilding program. The Statistical Report for 1949 was read and approved.

We appoint Frances A. Howland, Corina M. Gifford and Theresa F. Gifford as our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford on Fourth Month 8th.

The Treasurer reported a cash balance of $1,479.51 on Mar. 1, 1950.

The report of the Nominating Committee was approved and the following persons are hereby appointed to the positions designated for the ensuing year (with the exception of Elders who serve for three years) or until another appointment.

(See page 148.) (Elders,-Page 144)

Meeting adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting held Fourth Month 20th, 1950.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The representatives to the Quarterly Meeting report that all attended.

We approve the Overseers expending the amount of $15. from the Olive Macomber Fund for the purchase of yarn to be knit into articles for the American Friends Service Committee.

A letter of thanks from Charles T. Gifford for our contribution to the Allen's Neck Building Fund was read.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1,437.81 in the treasury as of Apr. 1st.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber,
Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held at the call of the clerk, Fifth Month 25th, 1950.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We approve the arrangements that have been made for the selection of George A. Hill of Arlington, Massachusetts as our pastor for the coming year (at a salary of $1300.00) to succeed Mr. Johannaber who has accepted a position as Chaplin and Religious Director of Morning Side College, Sioux City, Iowa, and is about to leave us after three years of most acceptable service.

Alice Macomber speaking for Mrs. Grace Babbitt, asked for permission for the Woman's Club to pipe water from the parsonage to the Community House. Permission was granted and the meeting agreed to pay any expense over $100.00 for digging the necessary tren h.

John H. Davis has donated a sum of money to paint the interior of the Meeting House and lay a new carpet. The meeting accepts his generous gift with heartfelt thanks and a committee of five - consisting of Alice A. Macomber, Grace Babbitt, C. Arnold Gifford, William J. Smith, and Raymond Hadfield - are appointed to work with Mr. and Mrs. Davis. This committee is to have complete authority as to colors of walls and carpet. The expense of any repairs to windows or doors will be paid by the Meeting.

The Clerk reported a balance of $1359.21 in the Treasury as of May 1, 1950.

Mr. Johannaber reported that the Property Committee had expended approximately $300. for landscaping the Meeting House Yard.

Adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 15th, 1950, at the call of the Clerk

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved with the exception that the minute granting permission to the Womans Club to pipe water from the parsonage to the Community House with the Meeting to pay any expense over $100. was amended to read "the Meeting will pay up to $150.00 over the estimated $100 for digging the trench".

Representatives were appointed to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at West Falmouth in Seventh Month. They were Corina Gifford, Dorothy W. Smith, Edward L. Macomber and Frances A. Howland.

William J. Smith reported for the property committee on repairs to the Community House.

The clerk reported a balance of $1,496.77 in the Treasury as of Sixth month 1, 1950.

Mary Davis reported that she had inquired about a new light fixture for the Meeting House and the installation of one six outlet hanging fixture was approved

John H. Davis reported that the new carpet for the Meeting House had been ordered and would be ready in six to eight weeks.

The property committee was asked to take care of the removal of stoves and drapes when redecorating was being done.

Because of the redecoration of the Meeting House and the recently regraded and seeded lawn it was decided not to hold a Daily Vacation Bible School at Central Village.

Meeting adjourned.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Ninth Month 14th, 1950, at the call of the Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

All representatives to the last Quarterly Meeting were reported to have been in attendance with one exception.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich were appointed and are

Hattie F. Macomber, Frances A. Howland, and Corina M. Gifford

The Treasurer reported the following balances in the Treasury: July 1, 1950 – $1,287.50 August 1, 1950 – $1,208.49. September $1,226.00.

A bill from Longfield's Lantern Shop for the new light fixture in the Meeting House was read and it was agreed that it be held until approved by the committee in charge of the redecoration.

A bill from Cox Paint and Wallpaper Co. for paint for the Community House was ordered paid on the approval of the Property Committee.

The Meeting notes with pleasure that the redecoration of the interior of the Meeting House has been completed and takes this opportunity to thank Mr. and Mrs. Davis for this gift, given as a Memorial to Mr. Davis' mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Philander R. Davis

The Treasurer was authorized to send a contribution of $50.00 to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the budget

It was suggested that the Clerk get in touch with the members of the Ministry and Council and discuss what is to be done about Associate Members who have reached the age of 21 and have not expressed a desire to become adult members.

Mr. Hill reported on the formation of the Westport-Dartmouth Council of Churches and the Westport Ministerial Association. He asked that two lay members from the Meeting be appointed to attend the first Meeting of the Council on September 18th at the Pacific Union Congregational Church at the Head of Westport. George W. McVay and Frances A. Howland were appointed to represent the Meeting.

A discussion concerning the change in time of the Sunday School was held and it was suggested that Mr. Hill make an announcement at the Church service and get the opinion of the people upon having Sunday School from 10:30 to 11:15 and Church Services from 11:30 to 12:30

Meeting adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Eleventh Month 17th 1950 at the call of the Clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1199.78 in the Treasury as of November 1, 1950.

It was recommended that the Assistant Clerk send a note of thanks to the persons who contributed financially to the painting of the trim on the Community House. It was also suggested that a note be sent to Stanley Gifford thanking him for the loam used in regrading the Meeting House yard and for the gravel for the driveways.

C. Arnold Gifford inquired as to the powers of the Community House Governing Board and the clerk is directed to look up the required information.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich reported that all were in attendanc

A Thanksgiving Service to be presented by the Westport-Dartmouth Council of Churches at 7:45 P.M. on Thanksgiving evening was announced and Mr. Hill asked the support of the members.

Mr. Hill extended an invitation to the young people of the Meeting to meet with the young people of the Point at the Parsonage to form a Young Peoples Fellowship.

No action was taken on the change in time for the Sunday School because it was felt that a change at present would be detrimental

The members of the Westport Point Methodist Church invited the members of the Meeting to participate in union vesper services at the Point Church on Christmas Eve.

A proposed Watch Night Service to be held New Years Eve under the direction of the Council of Churches received the approval of the meeting

A request that we sell or store the settees now in the Community House was left to the discretion of the Property Committee.

A discussion on the use of the Community House and of the interest in the building shown by the Woman's Community Club was held and the Assist. Clerk was asked to write a letter to the Woman's Club and invite the members of their Executive Board to attend the next monthly meeting

Meeting was adjourned with a word of prayer by Mr Hill.

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting held Twelfth Month 8th 1950.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford next month were appointed as follows: Mary M. Davis, Frances A. Howland, Edward L. Macomber.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1,271.09 as of December 1, 1950.

A request from the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting for prompt payment of Monthly Meeting contributions was read and the treasurer was authorized to forward $25. for the Budget.

Mrs. Grace Babbitt and Mrs. Eleanor Tripp, representing the Womans' Club, were present and the methods of bearing the expense of running the Community House were discussed.

The following nominating committee was appointed to present names to fill our annual appointments: Mary M. Davis, William J. Smith, and Raymond W. Hadfield

Mr. Hill was asked to get in touch with the Finance Committee and have the church envelopes for 1951 prepared for distribution.

Meeting adjourned

Edward L. Macomber, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held First Month 18th 1951

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was reported that representatives to the Quarterly meeting were in attendance with one exception.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1275.33 as of January 1, 1951.

Mary Davis, chairman of the Nominating Committee, read their report and the following were duly appointed to serve for the coming year

Clerk – Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Clerk – Marion E. McKay
Treasurer – Edward L. Macomber
Assistant Treasurer – Ruth Howland
Overseers – Alice Macomber
(Bd. of Trustees) Mary M. Davis
Edward L. Macomber
Charles G. Brightman
Elders – William J. Smith – 1952
Sophia Hawkes – 1952
Corinne Gifford – 1953
May Petty – 1953

Earl H. Wood 1954
Elvira Chichester 1954

Property Committee - Raymond Hadfield
Henry F. Perry Marion Curtis
Stanley Gifford William J. Smith

Finance Committee -
Alice Macomber William J. Smith
Helen Curtis Dorothy Smith
John L. Davis C. Arnold Gifford

Statistics Committee
Mabel E. Macomber
George W. McVay
Corina Gifford

Auditing Committee
Lois Simon Irene Hadfield

Womens Work
May Pettey Elvira Chichester

Literature
E. Mae Waite

Music Committee
Marion E. McVay Edward Sharples

Governing Board of Community House
C. Arnold Gifford
Irene Hadfield } Senior Members
Frances Howland
Ethel Ann Hadfield
Howard Gifford } Junior Members
Nancy Smith

The major changes in the committees for the coming year were the elimination of the Committee for social action and the board for Christian Education. The number of members of the Finance Committee was limited to six the those present feeling that a larger committee was too unwieldy.

The members of the meeting spoke with appreciation of the work of the Property Committee who have certainly been active during the past year.

Frances Howland was appointed delegate

for a two year term to the Westport - Dartmouth Council of Churches and George W. McKay was appointed to serve a one year term.

It was felt advisable to appoint alternates to the Council so that the Meeting would always be represented. William J. Smith and Irene Hadfield were nominated to fill these positions.

An interesting discussion on the work of the Council of Churches followed which gave those present a better idea of the aims and purposes of the Council.

Permission was given the Womens Club to cut the wood at the rear of the Community House and use it in the fireplace. Permission was also given for the [illegible] in the kitchen of the Community House.

Mary Davis was appointed a committee of one to see that the Carpet in the Church was vacuumed at regular intervals.

Meeting adjourned with a prayer by Mr. Hill.

Respectfully submitted
Edward L. Macomber, Clerk

Special Meeting
Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Second Month 18th, 1951.

A special Meeting was held at this time to see if the Meeting wished to share in the work and profits of a paper drive to be sponsored by the Womens Community Club. Those present thought it a desirable suggestion and William J. Smith and Raymond Hadfield were appointed to serve as the committee from the Meeting to act with and aid the Committee from the Womens Club.

It was also decided that the Meeting

shall share the expense of the purchase of a vacuum cleaner, to be used in the Church and the community house, with the Women's Community Club.

Mr. Hill was granted permission to mimeograph programs for Sunday services and present the bills for paper, ink, etc. to the Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward L. Macomber Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Third Month 8th 1951

Minutes of the last Meetings were read and approved

A moment of silent prayer and a few words of prayer by Mr. Hill was held in memory of old Clerk, Treasurer, Overseer, Board of Trustees member, and Sunday School Superintendent, Edward L. Macomber, who passed away Sunday, March 4, 1951. Mr. Macomber, who served the Meeting long and faithfully in many ways, will long be remembered for his gentle ways and his diligent efforts to make this Meeting an effective force in the spiritual lives of its members and in the life of the Community.

He fought a good fight, he finished his course, and he kept the faith.

Nominations for the positions of Clerk and Treasurer were made from the floor and the following were appointed

Clerk, Marion E. McVay
Assistant Clerk, Sophia Hawkes
Treasurer, William J. Smith

A balance of $1296.92 was reported in the Treasury as of February 28, 1951

It was suggested that the Clerk acquire copies of the new discipline so that each of the officers might have one.

Corina Gifford and Irene Hadfield were appointed to work with the Women's Community Club on the purchase of the vacuum cleaner.

Two contributions, to be made from the Lydia Webster Fund, were approved: $15.00 to the [illegible] school at [illegible] and $[illegible] to the Save Children's Fund.

Frances Hartland, Corina Gifford and Elise Macomber were appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held April [illegible] in New Bedford.

The sum of $25.00 was approved to be sent to the Yearly Meeting for New England needs.

Virginia Tuck was suggested as a possible member from the Meeting to attend the Friends World Conference at Oxford, England in 1952.

The Property Committee was asked to investigate the cost of cleaning up the yard at the rear of the Community House, painting the Wayside Pulpit and putting the Easton graveyard into suitable condition.

Mary Davis was asked to get information on putting two markers, one at the Meeting House and one at the Easton graveyard. Both Committees to report at the next meeting.

An acknowledgement from the family of Edward L. Macomber for flowers sent by the Meeting was read.

The meeting approved a suggestion of the Ministry and Counsel to send any [illegible] to [illegible] and thoughtful members inquiring whether they would like to be listed as members of the Meeting.

Mr. Hill announced that [illegible] the Ministers in the Council of Churches would exchange pulpits.

Meeting adjourned in prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Marion E. McCoy, Clerk.

Report of the Spiritual Condition of Westport Monthly Meeting For the year 1950-1951

Another year calls us to review our Spiritual Life, our changes, and our activities in Westport Monthly Meeting.

Our leader the past year has been the Rev. George A. Hill, Jr. whom we hire in connection with the Westport Point Methodists. We are still indebted to Boston University for leaders.

We have met recently a great loss in the death of Edward L. Macomber who passed away March 4th 1951. He had devoted his life to the Church after one year at Haverford College which he was called to leave because of the death of his father. He held many offices in the Monthly Meeting and was carrying a far too heavy load of work. The best tribute to his memory is to see some younger people willing to take up and carry on the work that his sudden death ended.

Ada S. Macomber died on October 26, 1950. For the last two years of her life she was ill but previously she had been much interested in her Sunday School Class and for many years had entertained the supply ministers from Boston University and elsewhere. At a Sunday morning service soon after her death, her former Sunday School Class presented the morning service with some beautiful white Chrysanthemums in her memory.

Our Ministry and Council Meetings have been giving very serious attention as we sought to correct our membership list with the guidance of Christian principals.

It has been especially hard because of the marriage of many of our young people with members of the Roman Church. Some wished to retain their membership and some to be dropped. We also have other cases where membership needs visitation. Much more work is to be done on this subject, and altho membership will no doubt drop numerically, we will, I hope, be as strong spiritually.

Virginia Towle, with her husband - a member of another Monthly Meeting - has been engaged the past summer and fall in youth work in European Countries. They have also visited several meetings in our own Yearly Meeting carrying greetings, as in days gone by.

We suggest that Virginia Towle be considered as a delegate from this meeting to the Oxford Conference in 1952.

Our first mention of the material things in life should be a most generous gift from John N. Davis given in memory of his father and mother. The interior of our Meeting House was redecorated in keeping with its style and a beautiful Wilton, loom-back, neutral green carpet was laid.

The meeting installed a new electric light fixture of the candle-type style.

We are now working on our Church grounds and on the Center Burying Ground at Gifford's Corner and hope, by another year, to have made marked improvement in their appearance.

While we have a monument on the front erected to Paul Cuffee we feel that his grave in the rear and all others in that section should present a better need for appearance.

The Womans Community Club, which represents the social life of the Church, has held true to their aim the past year. They have sponsored the "Well Baby Conference", entertained the men of the Community at a supper followed by an evening speaker, Rev. Lee Roy Smith of Fall River. They have laid the water from the parsonage well to the Community

House kitchen, thereby greatly helping out the kitchen work. They have contributed to Red Cross and furnished many interesting and worthwhile entertainments for the members. Last summer they sent 2 cartons of clothing to American Friends Service in Cambridge and 1 carton to Philadelphia.

The men of the Church have given of their time or a day's pay to repainting the trimmings of the Community House.

The Sunday School has maintained an average attendance of 39 the past year.

The Primary Dept. is very encouraging and also a very fine group of teen age or Junior girls. From there it is a bad gap. Has the Sunday School lost out with the older teen age of both boys and girls and younger married people?

Personally I believe we need a revision of what Bible Study based on the need that Bible Truths have, that give application to our present day problems in our lives both in our town and country. Just how this is to be brought about I cannot say, but we do need a stronger Sunday School that fits into modern conditions. The Sunday School has, however, observed Easter, Christmas and Mothers' Day.

They have expended in cash $172.12 for the following: the largest amount goes for Sunday School supplies, including quarterlies, papers and bars for perfect attendance, flowers and fruit for the sick, the revarnishing of the Children's Chairs cost $28.00 they were very much needed to be in keeping with the Church re-decorating.

I close with a quotation from Rufus Jones taken from his address in 1945 given at Richmond, Ind. from his Isaac T. and Lida K. Johnson Lecture -

"With all the types of Quakerism that exist at the present moment (and nobody can name them exactly or count them in order) there is one thing in which they all agree: They all think of themselves as a branch of or out of Protestantism. Some want a creed and some do not. Some want pastors and some do not. Some believe in a second coming and some believe it has already occurred. Some believe in a second definite experience of holiness and some in a steady progressive spiritual life. Some are fundamentalists and some are so called modernists. Some are pacifists and some are militaristic minded. I should not very much mind the variations of breadth there are in these sects if there still exist in our great body [illegible] an underlying unity of spirit."

I gather from these remarks of Rufus Jones that we must all go forward as we see the light and work in our Community for betterment; but keep in touch with the larger body in "a unity of spirit."

Statistical Report for the year ended December 31, 1950

Additions by birth 1; Loss by death 1; Number of members this year 111, namely:

Bingham, Marilyn
Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. I. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Maud A.
Brightman, Charles A.
Brightman, Mildred A.
Brightman, Lloyd A.
Brightman, Imogene T.
Brightman, Phyllis

Chichester, Elvira A.
Clark, Ruth M.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cole, Graham S.
Crosby, Mabel J.
Curtis, Milton G.
Curtis, Helen E.
Curtis, Marilyn (Asso
Curtis, Wayne (Assoc)

Davis, John H.
Dixon, Mary M.
Davis, Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Gifford, Robert A.
Gifford, Eugenie M.
Gifford, Stanley E.
Gifford, Inez
Gifford, Sandra (Assoc.)
Gifford, Ina A.
Gifford, C. Arnold
Gifford, Frances F.
Gifford, Richard A. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Howard W. (Assoc.)
Gifford, Corinne M.
Gomes, Elizabeth A.
Hatfield, Raymond W.
Hatfield, Irene F. J.
Hatfield, Ethel A. (Assoc.)
Hatfield, Judith D. (Assoc.)
Hatfield, Dora A. (Assoc.)
Hillman, William F.
Heather, Sophia E.
Howland, Herman A.
Howland, Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Lawton, Edith (Assoc.)
Lawton, Florence M.
LeBarger, Belle (Assoc.)
Lincoln, Nina (Assoc.)
Macomber, Edward L.
Macomber, John A.
Macomber, Hattie F.
Macomber, Alice A.
Macomber, Mabel E.
Macomber, Marianna
Manuel, Ina M.
McVay, George W.

McVay, Marion E.
McVay, Virginia M. (Assoc.
McVay, George W. Jr. (Asso
McVay, Robert H. (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood S.
Mosher, Julia B.
Mosher, Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.
Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Henry F.
Perry, Marion E.
Perry, John H. (Assoc.)
Perry, Carole A. (Assoc.)
Petty, Mary J.
Petty, Everett H. (Assoc.
Potter, Abner J.
Potter, Raymond F. (Assoc.
Reynolds, Ethel M.
Scott, Harriet (Assoc.)
Sharples, Edward
Sharples, Winifred
Sharples, Edward Jr.
Sharples, Barbara E. (Assoc.
Sharples, [illegible] (Assoc.)
Sharples, Janet (Assoc.
Shaw, Irene W.
Shurtleff, Edward W.
Shurtleff, Richard E. (Asso
Smith, William J.
Smith, Dorothy W.
Smith, Nancy J.
Simmons, John H.
Simmons, Joan E. (Assoc.)
Simmons, Carl H. (Assoc.)
Steinmetz, Virginia C.
Tilton, Daniel H. (Assoc.)
White, Janet L.
Cooke, Virginia K.

Tripp, Frances B.
Tripp, Elizabeth
Tripp, Arthur S. Jr.
Upton, Elizabeth S.
Vorwald, Gloria F.
Wade, Eleanor
Waite, E. Mae
Waite, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wilcock, James Jr.
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood, Annie A.
Wood, Earl H.
Wood, Raymond R.
Wood, Harold S. (assoc.)
Wood, Emma N. (assoc
Woodcock, Loretta

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 19, 1951

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reports a balance of $1377.22 as of April 1, 1951 and was asked by those present to inquire into the advisabilty of investing some of our funds

All representatives to Quarterly Meeting were reported in attendance with one exception.

Mrs. Eleanor Raposa was accepted into our fellowship - a letter of transfer having been received from First Baptist Church of Fall River.

The names of Verna A. Tilton, Gloria F. Vorwald, and James Wilcock, Jr. were dropped from our membership by their request.

It was decided that a letter containing a copy of The Spiritual Condition" of the meeting and other notes of interest should be sent to members and families interested in the work of the meeting.

Virginia Towle suggested that a copy of the Discipline be given to each new member so all might be acquainted with the rules and regulations of the meeting.

A contribution of $10.00 plus a free will offering to be taken at Church service should be sent to the International Christian University in Japan to aid in their work.

The sum of $5.00 was sent to the Friends Council on Education to aid in the work they are doing in Friends schools in this country.

George McKay reported for the Westport-Dartmouth Council of Churches on the formation of two Committees. One for Religious Education with Lloyd Brightman as the representative from our church; and a Publicity Committee whose purpose will be the publicizing of all churches for the benefit of summer visitors – telling location, time of service and other pertinent information. It was decided to send $5.00 to the Council to help in the work of this second committee.

The formation of a Men's Club was discussed and those present were all in favor of such a group which would work with and for the betterment of the Meeting.

Meeting adjourned

Marion E. McKay, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Month 17th 1951

Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A final sum of $75.00 was sent to the Yearly Meeting as our contribution to their current years' budget.

Mr. Hill announced that May 21 would be Membership Sunday and, at that time, he expected to receive two new members and four associates into full membership.

The organization meeting of the Men's Club was announced for some time within the next two weeks.

The meeting gave the Westport-Dartmouth Council of Churches permission to use the Community House for Daily Vacation Bible School purposes. The school will be held the last of July and first of August.

The sum of $10.00 was approved to meet any expenses Mr. Hill might have during his attendance for 2 days at the Yearly Meeting sessions.

The renewal of insurance on the Church and Community House and their contents was approved.

Mr. Hill asked permission to have the last two weeks in August and the first in September for his vacation. ~~Vacation~~ Permission was granted with the understanding that he see that a supply minister from Boston be on hand the Sundays during which he would be absent. The Rev. John W. Annas will fill the pulpit at Westport Point and act in case of emergency for Central Village.

A gift of a pulpit light from Marion and George McKay, given in memory of Mrs McKay's father Robert A. Wilson, was accepted with thanks.

A card from Mr. & Mrs. Hill, thanking the Meeting for flowers sent at the time of the death of Mr. Hill's mother was read.

Meeting adjourned in prayer.

Respectfully submitted
Marion E. McKay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held sixth month 13th 1951

Minutes of the last Meeting read and approved.

Mr. Hill thanked the Meeting for sending him to Yearly Meeting and gave a brief report on the sessions he was able to attend.

The sending of a financial report and the first edition of "The Westport Friend" was announced. The Clerk spoke of hearing favorable comments on both.

Membership Sunday on May 21 saw Eleanor Rapoza and Julia Tolmanna join our Meeting as new members and Marilyn Carter, John Eddy, Howard Gifford and Richard Gifford change their status from associate to full membership.

Mary Davis reported on the progress of the historical markers - one to be erected on the Meeting grounds, the other at the Center Burial Grounds. She announced that they would be ready for installation in a week or two and that the labor for both markers had been donated by Mr. Sheldon Judson. The Meeting decided to remove the present [illegible] Pulpit and erect the new marker on that spot.

Mr. Hill, making a report on membership, said that he had not as yet received any replies to his letters to out of town members and that during the months ahead he planned to call on associate members and new families in town.

The meeting appointed Thomas Howland to work with the Clerk and a Committee from the Woman's Community Club on the purchase of a duplicating machine which will be at the disposal of any of the Church groups for their printing needs - each group to pay for supplies used.

A supper for July 21 was announced. Helen Curtis, Marion Berry and Elizabeth Dennis to be co-chairmen of the affair.

A food sale on August 18th was also announced. No chairman has been appointed as yet.

The time of the regular Monthly Meeting was changed from the third Thursday of each month to the third Sunday at 7:45 in the Meeting House. The meetings of July and August to be eliminated except on special call of the Clerk.

Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held in Falmouth July 14 were appointed as follows: Marion McVey, Frances Rowland and Dorothy Smith.

A cook-out at the home of James Pilkington for the members of the Men's Club was announced for August 7. The group plans to meet once a month throughout the fall and winter.

Mr. Hill announced the following Sunday services:

July 1 - Student Day
July 8 - Council of Churches Sunday
July 22 - Gideon Bible Group

A note of thanks was read from the Council of Churches for money sent their Publicity Committee to help in their work.

Dorothy Smith was appointed as Overseer and Board of Trustee member to fill the vacancy created by the death of Edward L. Macomber.

It was agreed that money should be

taken from the Alice Macomber Fund to purchase yarn for American Friends Service Committee knitting.

The Daily Vacation Church School sessions were announced for July 30 through August 10 with five Churches participating.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McVay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends — special Meeting held Ninth Month 6th, 1951 at the request of Ministry and Council to discuss the presently existing pastoral arrangements with the Westport Point Methodist Church. It was the general opinion that the Meeting was not receiving sufficient ministerial aid and the Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Wahlquist, the New Bedford District Superintendent, and inform him of our dissatisfaction and tell him that we wish to sever our present relationship with the Point as soon as possible but not later than June 1, 1952 and that we would like to talk with him at his convenience. It is our intention to have the services of a Minister of our own either on week-end or full time student basis.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McVay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Ninth Month 16, 1951

Meeting was opened with a moment of silence in memory of Mary M. Davis who passed away September 10th. Mary, always an active and interested Friend, will be greatly missed by the Meeting. The greatest tribute to her memory will be our continued effort to carry on the work in which she was so interested.

Minutes of the last Meeting and Special Meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Hill, reporting on membership calls said that he had called on Louise B. Shaw but that she had not been at home. As Mr. Hill has still not had any replies from out-of-town members as to their desires in keeping or severing their membership, the Clerk was asked to bring a list of these members to the next regular Meeting for action by the Meeting.

Alice Macomber reported that the Historical Markers had been erected at the Meeting House and the Center Burial Grounds. The gate for the Burial Grounds has been received but not erected. The Clerk announced that she had sent a letter of thanks to Mr. Judson for his contribution in making the markers.

A loose stone in the platform in front of the Community House was brought to the attention of the Meeting and the Clerk was asked to get in touch with the Property Committee in regard to having it fixed.

The committee appointed for the purpose of purchasing a Duplicating Machine reported that a used machine had been bought and the cost was to be shared by the Women's Community Club, the Choir and the Meeting.

A profit of $110.00 was reported on the supper and food sale held during the summer.

It was reported that only one representative was in attendance at the Quarterly Meeting in Falmouth and May Petty, Frances Howland and Alice Macomber were appointed to attend the next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich October 13th.

The sum of $25.00 was voted to be sent to Yearly Meeting for their present year's budget.

Mr. Hill reported that the Daily Vacation Church School had an enrollment of 80 children with 73 in perfect attendance.

A letter from the Amesbury Meeting inviting us to attend their Centennial celebration on September 23 was read.

John H. Ware, C. Arnold Gifford, Theresa Gifford, Helen Carter and George C. McVay were appointed to serve as a Parsonage Committee. Their first duty to get estimates on the installation of a bathroom and present their findings to the Property Committee.

Meeting adjourned in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McVay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held tenth month 1st, 1951

A letter from Virginia Foote requesting that we send a letter of transfer of membership to the Fairfield Monthly Meeting at Hinckley, Maine was read and the Clerk was asked to write such a letter.

George W. McVay was elected to serve a two year term as representative to the Council of Churches.

The Clerk was asked to write a letter to Mr. Manuel Candelias who is presently living in our Parsonage, informing him of our plans to have a minister occupy the parsonage in the early part of next year and ask that he make other arrangements for living quarters as soon as possible. The parsonage committee was asked to follow up the letter with a personal visit to be of what help they could.

A paper drive was announced as the November fund raising project.

It was decided that the money raised in the monthly projects should be allocated to the Parsonage fund until the bathroom installation was paid for.

George McVay reported that each member of the Parsonage Committee had been requested to get bids for the bathroom installation and as soon as they were in they would decide on the person to do the job and submit it to the meeting for final approval.

The Clerk was asked to request the Finance Committee to discuss the matter of our Yearly Meeting Budget contribution and report at a future meeting.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1240.25 as of October 12, 1951.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marion E. McVay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Eleventh Month 18, 1951.

Reading of minutes dispensed with until the next meeting.

The sum of $5.00 was sent to aid delegates to the World Conference.

It was suggested that the Finance Committee plan to send out a proposed budget and finance letter.

The Property Committee was requested to have the oil burner in the Community House inspected.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McKay, Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting held eleventh month 25, 1951

We met with the Reverend G. Albin Dahlquist, District Superintendent of the Southern New England Conference of the Methodist Church to discuss severance of our present pastoral arrangements with the Westport Point Methodist Church. It was decided that June 1, 1952 would be most convenient for all concerned. Mr. Dahlquist speaking of some of the difficulties we would encounter in having a minister of our own, expressed regret that we were bringing our relationship with the Methodist Church to a close but wished us well in our future efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McKay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held twelfth month 16th 1951.

Minutes of last two meetings and Special Meeting were read and approved.

It was approved to send $5.00 to the Five Years Meeting to aid in their missionary work.

A letter from Khalil Totah and one from Louise B. Shaw were read. Mr. Totah requested that his membership be transferred to Whittier Monthly Meeting

Whittier, California while Miss Shaw stated that, while she was not joining another church at this time, she would like a letter of transferal addressed "To whom it may concern", as she felt she was no longer able to come to church in Central Village. The Clerk was asked to send these letters.

The following persons having been contacted by card and not writing as to their wishes in remaining or severing their connection with the church we felt they should be dropped — Harriet Scott, Richard Shurtleff, Russell West, William Watkins and Marilyn Bingham.

The Finance Committee recommended that the Meeting increase its contribution to the Yearly Meeting by $17.50 making it $142.50 for the year 1951-1952 and suggested that the Treasurer send these in regular monthly installments. These recommendations met with the approval of the Meeting and the Treasurer was so instructed.

George McCoy reported that the Parsonage Committee was in favor of having Mr. Russell Waite install the bathroom in the Parsonage and include in the installation a gas hot water heater, for the sum of $615.00. Those present approved of this, told the committee to use its discretion as to the installation and to keep the expenses within the limits allotted to said installation.

Mr. Russell Stokes, Assistant Field Secretary for the New England Yearly Meeting, was present and spoke to us at this time. He said he was pleased to see an active meeting and that he approved of our desire to secure a Minister. He said he would be glad to be of assistance in any way he could in this matter as the Yearly Meeting had just recently set up a placement service for ministers and secretaries.

A Nominating Committee was appointed to bring in names of Friends to fill the various offices for the coming year as follows: William J. Smith, Chairman; Frances Howland and Elvira Chichester.

Marion E. McVay, George W. McVay and Frances Howland were appointed representatives to the next Quarterly Meeting to be held in New Bedford on January 12.

Meeting adjourned in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McVay, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held first month 20th 1952.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

George McVay reported that the Parsonage Committee had instructed Mr. Waite to purchase the materials needed for the installation of the bathroom and wait for further instructions as to its installation. He also said that he had called on Mr. & Mrs. Candeias to offer what assistance he could and they said they were building a new home and also they didn't wish to have the bathroom installed while they were still living in the Parsonage. Those present felt the Candeias' were making sufficient effort to move and didn't think any further calls or serving of notice to move was necessary.

Frances Howland read the report of the Nominating Committee and the Clerk was asked to get in touch with those nominated and see if they were willing to serve.

A request was received from Joseph L. Heller of Mattapoisett asking if we would sell them the Wayside Pulpit which was replaced by the new historical sign. The request was approved and the Clerk instructed to write Mr. Heller to this effect and ask what the Pulpit would be worth to them.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting reported only one in attendance.

John Perry was appointed as alternate representative to the Council of Churches to replace William J. Smith.

Imogene Brightman was appointed as alternate to the same Council in place of Irene Hadfield.

Meeting adjourned in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McCoy, Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd Month 17th 1952.

Minutes of last Meeting read and approved.

Clerk reported that all those nominated for office had accepted with the following exceptions: Dorothy Smith, Finance Committee; C. Arnold Gifford, Governing Board of the Community House; Irene Hadfield, Auditing Committee and Governing Board of Community House; Raymond Hadfield, Property Committee.

The permanent Nominating Committee for the year was appointed as follows: Mabel Macomber, 1953; Theresa Gifford, 1954; Lloyd Brightman, 1955.

Mr. Hill asked if the Meeting wanted an

Easter letter and offering envelopes sent out and those present felt that such a letter should be sent but no envelopes enclosed.

Because it was felt a saving of paper would be realized the Clerk was asked to print small bulletins for Sunday services rather than the conventional size.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. McVey, Clerk.

Report of the Westport Meeting for 1951-52

Westport Monthly Meeting is still functioning in spite of the untimely death of our valued Trustee, Mary M. Davis, last September (1951) Mary's death came as a great shock to the Meeting "Her leadership, ability, and enthusiasm have been an unfailing source of strength to our efforts" says the president of the Woman's Community Club The Monthly Meeting can well echo the words of the Community Club, yet we can say of her as we could of last year's loss of Overseer Edward L. Macomber, that our greatest tribute to these leaders would be the energetic continuance of the work they were engaged in for the benefit of Central Village Meeting.

Our pastoral leadership has been filled by George A. Hill, Jr who serves our Church in connection with the Church at Westport Point. He is still studying at Boston University.

The Meeting has met with Russell Brooks and discussed the possibility of having a minister of our own denomination if we sever our connection with the Westport Point Church but no change will be made until June.

We were fortunate during July to have with us at Bible School time, Mrs. Katherine Sicard of Minneapolis who gave a series of talks on five men whom she considered had left account of their religious experience turned into action: Isaiah, St. Paul, Socrates, Francis of Assissi and Rufus Jones.

It was the wish of Edward L. Macomber that suitable markers be placed at the old Inter Burying Ground and in the yard at Central Village. This has been attended to.

An effort has been made to encourage the teen age children to meet with others in the Quarterly Meeting for some active work, but the distance and unfavorable weather have hindered the work. They will continue their efforts.

We have had some gifts of money with which we were to buy yarn for those who wished to send gifts to American Friends Service. As a result we have sent 1 afghan, 7 sweaters, 4 caps and bonnets and 2 pairs of mittens.

As regards the financial situation for Yearly Meeting expenses, we were informed at Quarterly Meeting in October by a member of the Advisory Committee who had studied the situation that if we gave 15¢ more per member than last year the desired amount would be met. We expect to have these payments with the Treasurer at the time expected.

The Sunday School has had an average attendance of 35. Cradle Roll has [illegible] and [illegible] are enrolled in the Home Department. A Sunday School picnic was enjoyed on a Saturday last September at [illegible].

We have beside our regular expenses contributed to a loud speaker for a missionary in Japan, Friendsville Academy, candy boxes for Arab refugee children at Christmas time, Sunday

School dues in the Town Association, Red Cross and Community Chest.

The Sunday School joined in the Vacation Bible School which was held in the Community House, Grange Hall and vestry of the Church.

We feel that the Church is still doing some good in the village altho it requires a great deal of effort on the part of a few.

Report of the Nominating Committee
1st. mo. 20 th.

Clerk - Marion McVay
Asst. Clerk - Sophia E. Hawkes
Treasurer - William J. Smith
Asst. Treas. - Ruth L. Howland
Elders - May Pettey 1953
Corina Gifford, 1953
Elvira Chichester 1954
Earl Wood 1954
Sophia Hawkes 1955
Robert Gifford 1955
Overseers + Board of Trustees.
Charles Brightman
Eugenie Gifford
Dorothy Smith
Alice Macomber
Property Com. Mahlon Curtis
Henry F. Perry
Stanley Gifford
William J. Smith
Refused. Raymond Hadfield
George McVay
Finance Com. Alice Macomber
Helen Curtis
John Davis
Ruth Howland

	Dorothy Smith	Refused.
	C. Arnold Gifford	
Statistical Com.	Mabel Macomber	
	Marion McVay	
	Corina Gifford	
Auditors	Lois Simon	
	Irene Hadfield	Refused.
Women's Work	May Petty	
	Elvira Chichester	
Music Com.	Marion McVay	
	Edward Sharples Jr.	
Literature	E. Mae Waite	
	Imogene Brightman	
Governing Board.	C. Arnold Gifford	
	Irene Hadfield	Refused
	Lloyd Brightman	
	Frances Howland	S. S.
	E. Mae Waite.	S. S.
Junior Members	Nancy Smith	
	Barbara Sharples	
	Carole Perry.	

Permanent Nominating Committee
appointed 2nd Month 17th 1952.
Mabel E. Macomber 1953.
Theresa Gifford 1954.
Lloyd Brightman 1955.

6 mo. 14, 1952 these appointments were made.

Finance Com. Imogene Brightman
Gov. Bd. Com. House, Marion Perry
Edward Sharples Jr.
Auditing Com.
Mabel E. Macomber
Property Com. Edward Sharples Sr.

Statistical Report for the Year ending December 31, 1951.

Additions :- by Birth 1; by Request 1; by Letter 1. Total additions 3.

Loss :- by Death 2, by Resignation 5, by Discontinuance 4, by Certificate 2, Total loss 13.

Number of Members this year 101, namely-

Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
Brownell, Elbert C. I. (Assoc.)
" , Maud P.
Brightman, Charles A.
" , Mildred A.
" , Lloyd A.
" , Imogene F.
" , Phyllis
Chichester, Elvira O.
Clark, Ruth M.
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Crosby, Mabel V.
Curtis, Mahlon G.
" , Helen E.
" , Marilyn
" , Wayne (Assoc.)
Davis, John H.
" , Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Gifford, Robert A.
" , Eugenie M.
" , Stanley E.
" , Inez
" , Sandra
" , Sara A.
" , C. Arnold
" , Theresa F.
" , Richard A.
" , Howard W.
Gifford, Corina M.
Gomes, Elizabeth A.
Hadfield, Raymond W.
" , Irene A. S.
" , Ethel A. (Assoc.)
" , Judith D. (")
" , Don A. (")
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Frances A.
" Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Lawton, Edith, (Assoc.)
" , Florence M.
Le Baigue, Belle (Assoc.)
Lowden, Thais "
Macomber, John A.
" , Hattie F.
" , Alice A.
" , Mabel E.
" , Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
McVay, George W.
" , Marion E.
" , Virginia (Assoc.)
" , George W. Jr. "
" , Robert H "
" , David P. "
Mosher, Harwood S.
" , Julia B.
" , Sherman

Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)
Payne, Virginia R. "
Perry, Henry F.
" , Marion E.
" , John H.
" , Carol A. (Assoc.)
Pettey, May S.
" , Everett H. (Assoc.)
Potter, Abram J.
" , Lynwood F. (Assoc.)
Raposa, Eleanor
Reynolds, Ethel M.
Sharples, Edward
" , Winifred
" , Edward, Jr.
" , Barbara A. (Assoc.)
" , Linwood "
" , James L "
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Smith, William J.
" , Dorothy W.
" , Nancy J. (Assoc.)

Simon, Lois H.
" , Joan E. (Assoc.)
" , Carl H. "
Steinmetz, Virginia C.
Tripp, Louise B.
" , Ruth V.
" , Arthur V. Jr.
Vinton, Elizabeth S.
Wade, Eleanor
Waite, E. Mae
Welsh, Marian L.
Weston, Evelyn
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood, Annie L.
" , Earl H.
" , Raymond A.
" , Harold S. (Assoc.
Woodcock, Loretta
Yeomans, Julia.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 3rd. Month 23rd., 1952.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A discussion on lack of attendance at church service and a general lack of interest was held but no suggestions for improvement were made.

Alice A. Macomber read the report on the condition of the meeting for the year 1951-52.

Mabel E. Macomber read the report of the statistical committee.

Marion E. McVay, Elvira Chichester, and Frances A. Howland were appointed as representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Somerset in April.

It was announced that Sunday, April 20th would be Exchange Pulpit Sunday and we would have a Minister from the Council of Churches as our guest speaker.

The clerk spoke of having George Jones, a student at Boston University, and a candidate for serving as our minister, speak at the service on April 27th.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. Mc Vay, Clerk

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 20th.

The Clerk and Asst. Clerk both being absent Mabel E. Macomber was appointed Clerk for the day.

The representatives appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting held at So. Somerset, Fourth Month 13th report that they attended with one exception. Reason for her absence was given.

Adjourned to meet Fourth Month 27th at the close of the morning meeting.

Mabel E. Macomber
Clerk for the day.

Resignation of the Clerk.

March 25, 1952.

Mrs. Sophia Hawkes, Asst. Clerk
Westport Monthly Meeting
Central Village, Mass.

Dear Friend,

Because of lack of support on the part of the majority of members of the of the Westport Monthly Meeting and opposition by the few faithful attenders to my aims to have the Meeting acquire the services of a full time minister so that it might be a more vital force for Christian living in the Community, I feel that I must resign as Clerk of the Meeting.

I will continue to be of whatever service I can to the new Clerk and to the Meeting as a whole and hope that by this step a unity of purpose may come about on the part of the membership.

Sincerely,
Marion E. McVay.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fourth Month 27th.

The question of a new minister was discussed at some length and the meeting thought it best to give George Jones a chance to work with us during summer months beginning the first of Sixth Month.

The Ministry + Counsel to decide upon the final arrangements, after the matter has been more carefully considered.

Respectfully submitted,
Sophia E. Hawkes, Asst. Clk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Fifth Month 18th, 1952.

Minutes of March and April Meetings were read and approved.

A communication from Marion McVay was read in which she tendered her resignation as Clerk and a discussion was held on this vacancy and others existing in the official list. Mabel E. Macomber said the Nominating Committee would meet before the next meeting and see that someone was nominated to fill the vacancies.

Alice Macomber asked the Treasurer if there was money available for repairing the shingles on the shed. It was decided that no major repairs would be made at this time to this building but temporary repairs would be made.

William J. Smith and Mahlon Curtis said they would move the paper now stored in the shed as it has been declared a fire hazard by the Westport Fire Chief.

It was announced that the Candeias family, who have been our tenants in the parsonage, had moved into their new home and we could start work on getting the parsonage ready for the minister.

William J. Smith was asked to check with Town officials and try to have a right-of-way at the Community House entrance to the Meeting grounds given the Meeting since the old town hall has been sold.

The parsonage committee was given permission to auction any furniture in the parsonage that they could not use.

Alice Macomber asked if she could donate money to have the North section of the Meeting grounds beautified and those present accepted with thanks.

George Hill reported that he had contacted George Jones and he would be with us by June 1st. He was asked to write to him and tell him where he was to stay until the Parsonage is ready and ask him to be present for an informal gathering to be held in the Community House on Saturday, May 31st.

Mr. Hill expressed his thanks to the Meeting for the privilege of serving us for the past two years and asked everyone to feel free to call on him at any time. He asked if it would be in order to write to our members informing them of the change in pastors and inviting them to attend the gathering on the 31st. The Meeting expressed its thanks and appreciation to Mr. Hill for what he has done and wished him well in his future ministry at the Westport Point Church.

Mabel E. Macomber, chairman of the Nominating Committee, announced that Frances A. Howland would serve as Clerk for the remainder of the year.

A discussion was held on the use of the Community House by the Woman's Community Club if that group decided that it was not to be a Church group and it was decided that no steps would be taken until the Club came to such a decision.

Frances A. Howland our representative to the Westport-Dartmouth Council of Churches, was asked to advise the Council that the Community House would be available for Daily Vacation Bible School use.

Meeting adjourned,

Sophia E. Hawkes
Asst. Clerk

At a special meeting called June 1, 1952 by request of the Parsonage Committee it was agreed to allot this committee the sum of $300 as a working fund for the time being and to give said committee power to go ahead with their plans for getting the parsonage ready to use.

It was approved of holding a parsonage shower to get some of the things needed, a date to be agreed upon later.

No further business before us we adjourned to the call of the clerk.

Sophia E. Hawkes, Asst Clerk.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Sixth Month 14, 1952.

The Nominating Committee reports the following appointments:

1. Finance Committee
   Imogene Brightman
2. Governing Board of Community House.
   Marion Perry
   Edward Sharpless Jr.
1. Auditing Committee
   Mabel E. Macomber
1. Property Committee
   Edward Sharpless, Sr.

This report was approved.

The Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth Seventh Mo. 12th were appointed namely:-

Dorothy W. Smith,
Frances A. Howland,
Edward Sharpless, Jr.
Corina Gifford

William J. Smith, Treasurer gave

a financial report.

The report of Council representative was made.

The matter of changing the hour of morning Worship Service was discussed and it was agreed that the Meeting for Worship begin at 10:45 A.M. Sunday School to be arranged in accord with this new time.

The Clerk was authorized to contact the Standard Times and have the necessary changes made in the notice of Meeting time and minister.

The Ministry and Council brought to this Meeting an approval of accepting

Dr. Frank J. Lepreau
Miriam B. Lepreau

as members of Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Their children

Lucy Ann Lepreau
Judy Lepreau
Sue Lepreau
Frank J. Lepreau 3rd

were accepted as associate members. The meeting approved this report.

The Parsonage Committee reported progress and many thanks for help given them.

The Meeting agreed that George Jones be given authority to appoint a committee on Christian Education to work with him on plans for the future.

It was also agreed that George Jones be asked to serve this meeting for the year. Since his time will be up in Ninth Month the meeting arranged to continue his services if he can arrange it after the summer period.

George Jones felt that necessary arrangements could be made and we are very much pleased to have George Jones as our minister.

Meeting adjourned.

Sophia E. Hawkes Asst. Clerk.

At a special meeting Sixth Mo. 28th. it was agreed to welcome
George Wood
Virginia Wood as members
of this meeting and their children
Barbara Wood
Marjorie Wood will become
Associate Members.

Approved.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held Seventh Mo. 20, 1952.

The representatives appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth reported their attendance. Two were unable to attend because of illness.

The Financial Report was read and the Meeting is very pleased to acknowledge gifts to the Parsonage including two Memorial gifts; one from Ruth Howland in memory of her mother, Mrs. Annie Howland and the other in memory of Mary Davis given by John H. Davis.

The meeting expresses its appreciation to the Parsonage Committee for its fine work.

A communication was received from Winslow Osborne + Milton Hadley regarding the New Building Fund for the Five Years Meeting Office Building but we felt that at this time we were unable to make a contribution.

A notice of a Workers Conference at Moses Brown School, Sept. 9-11th was received and the Meeting approved of sending George Jones as our representative.

The Property Committee was authorized to install the proper locks on the Parsonage doors.

No further business we adjourn to the call of the Clerk or until the next regular meeting.

At a special Meeting called 8th month 10th the Meeting agreed to offer a week's vacation to George Jones, the week to include Sunday Aug. 24, at which time the Meeting for Worship will be under the leadership of Edward Sharples, Jr.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk
by S.E.H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th month 17th. '52

The Treasurer's report was read.

The Planning Committee reported progress and announced an order of goods received for which the Meeting will stand expense.

A Financial report of Expenses at the Parsonage was given by the Treasurer.

A note of thanks was received from Mrs. Robb for use of the Community House for Chamber Music.

Committee on Christian Education is appointed for the meeting:
Dorothy Smith, Lloyd Brightman,
Imogene Brightman, Mabel Macomber,
to work with George Jones.

This committee is to have the privilege

of making best plans for working with S.S. groups and is to make necessary arrangement for classes, teachers, + officers of the Sunday School.

No further business the meeting adjourns.

Frances A. Howland Clerk.
by S.E.H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends 9th month 21st. the Treasurer gave his monthly report showing the meeting is holding its own financially.

The Property Committee was authorized to have the church drive filled in at the steps.

The matter of repainting a few chairs for use in the Sunday School was discussed and George McVay offered to take care of the matter.

The main concern of the meeting was to reach an agreement on the matter of heating the parsonage. The meeting after some discussion decided to leave the final decision until a further investigation had been made. A special meeting will be called Sept. 28th.

The following were named as Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, Alice A. Macomber, Marianna Macomber, and Elvira Chichester.

Mrs. Claire Vaphiades was named deligate to the Council of Churches.

At the recommendation of the Meeting for Ministry + Council the following members were welcomed into membership. Milton Borden, Helen Borden, Evangelos Vaphiades, Claire Vaphiades, full membership and Peter Vaphiades & George Case to Assoc. Membership.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.

At a special meeting held 9th month 1952 28th the meeting agreed to install a temporary heating system in the parsonage. It was left to the decision of the Property Committee & the Parsonage Committee working together to have the temporary system installed.

It was suggested that we hold the regular Monthly Meeting directly at the close of the Worship Service each third Sunday instead of in the evening. The next regular meeting would be the 19th of 10th month.

Adjourned,

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
by S. E. Hawkes

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th month 19th. 1952

It was reported that two of our representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting were unable to attend.

Marianna Macomber reported that payment had been made to the treasu as reimbursement for money spent on her project and she was granted permission to order more stock as needed.

George Jones suggested that we as a meeting sponsor a fellowship supper whereby our members and friends both in the meeting, the Sunday School and the Community might get to know each other better!

It was agreed that we do sponsor such a Get-to-Gether- and Ruth Howland, Claire Vaphiades and Imogene Brightman, were named as a committee to work with Mr. Jones in working out such an affair.

A request was made that we heat the Community House on Sunday for the use of some of the Sunday School Classes. It was agreed that we should do all we can to help our Sunday School and the request was granted.

Frances A. Howland, Clk.
by S.E.H.

At a special meeting called to discuss heat for the Parsonage it was decided to install the permanent heating system rather than temporary and the Meeting would contribute $500 from the Treasury said amount to be paid back to the meeting. This leaves a small amount yet to be raised in the Heating Fund.

Frances A. Howland, Clk.
by S.E.H.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th month 18th, 1952.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and the special meeting were read and approved.

Ruth Howland spoke on the plans for a Fellowship Supper to be held on Friday, November 28th.

Mahlon Curtis reported on the installation of the heating system in the Parsonage and said that it would be in operation at an early date.

The Treasurer reported a balance of $1,324.14 in our regular account as of November 1st.

Mabel E. Macomber asked the approval of the meeting to take the sum of

$2.00 from the Olive Macomber Fund to be contributed along with funds from the Sunday School for Indian Work. The meeting approved.

Helen Curtis, chairman of the Planning Committee, spoke of future money-raising plans and brought to the attention of the meeting a lecture "Across America Afoot" given by Mr. William Stockdale. The Meeting felt it could sponsor Mr. Stockdale and asked Mrs. Curtis to make the necessary arrangements.

Needed repairs for the organ were brought to the attention of the Meeting and the Music Committee was authorized to see that such repairs were made before the Christmas season.

George Jones was asked to write and send letters to the members telling them of our efforts towards installing the Parsonage Heating System and asking them to swell the fund for payment of the system.

Meeting adjourned.

Sophia E. Hawkes Assisted
by Marion McVey.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th Month 14th, 1952. Records of the preceding meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer gave a report of the financial standing of the Meeting and at the suggestion of the meeting it was agreed to take money from the Treasury to complete the payments on the Parsonage Heating system.

A report from the Committee on Ministry and Counsel was given by the Clerk. It is as follows:-

To the Monthly Meeting.

The Committee on Ministry & Counsel recommend that the Monthly Meeting accept responsibility for seeing the marriage of Gloria Buhl and James Vetrano according to Friends' service is properly solemnized.

Signed by Elvira Chichester, Clerk.

The Meeting approved this report and it was agreed that Gloria Buhl and James Vetrano be united in marriage at a special Friends' Meeting to be held February 14, 1953.

According to Faith and Practise the following members of the Meeting were named to ascertain the qualifications of said parties. George and Marion McVey, George Jones, and Frances Howland.

In another report from the Committee on Ministry and Counsel it was agreed to have a committee appointed to contact non-resident members and to ask the nominating committee to name only active members to office.

The following members were named Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford 1st. mo. 10th. Corinna Gifford, Frank Lepreau, Arthur Tripp Jr., and Frances A. Howland.

A report from Marianna Macomber showed a slight profit from the sale of dish towels etc. for the Meeting treasury.

It was agreed that the regular New Year's calendars be sent to members and friends of the Meeting according to custom.

The reappointment of Mabel E. Macomber to the Nominating Committee was approved.

No further business coming before us the Meeting adjourned.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
by S. E. H.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st. month 19th. 1953. The minutes of the December meeting were read and with a few changes in wording were accepted. The Treasurer's report was approved by the meeting, having been duly audited.

The representatives appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford in 1st. month reported perfect attendance.

The committee appointed to secure information in regard to James B. Vetrano and Gloria M. Buhl report that both James and Gloria are of fine character & the meeting should solemnize their marriage as requested.

The Meeting being satisfied with this report name George and Marion McVay, William Smith and Frances Howland to attend the special service to be called 2nd. month 14th. 1953 to solemnize the marriage of James B. Vetrano and Gloria M. Buhl.

Mahlon Curtis & Claire Vaphiades were named alternates and the Clerk was empowered to name persons to fill vacancies if necessary.

The Nominating Committee presented it's report for 1953.

Dorothy Smith was named chairman of a Planning Committee to work with the Finance Committee in raising funds for the coming year.

George Jones read letters from the Westport Chamber of Commerce and from Dr. Rupert Von Trapp relative to assistance for the Azevedo Family.

The Meeting approved a contribution of $5.00 toward this Fund.

No further business presenting the meeting

adjourned.
Frances A. Howland, Clerk. by S. E. H

Committee Nominations for 1953.
Clerk – Frances A. Howland
Ass. Clerk – Sophia E. Hawkes.
Treasurer – William J. Smith
Asst. " – Ruth L. Howland.

Elders – Elvira Chichester 1954
Frank J. Lepreau, Jr. 1954 for 1 yr. in place of Earl Wood.
Sophia E. Hawkes, 1955
Robert A. Gifford, 1955
May Pettey 1956.
Corina Gifford 1956.

Overseers – Lloyd Brightman
Dorothy Smith
Eugenie Gifford
Alice A. Macomber

Property Committee – Mahlon Curtis
William J. Smith
Edward Sharples, Sr.
George W. Mc Vay

(In lieu of a Parsonage Com.) Helen Curtis
Winifred Sharples

Finance Com. – Helen Curtis
Frank J. Lepreau
Evangelos Vaphiades
Ruth L. Howland
William J. Smith

Statistical Committee – Mabel E. Macomber,
Marion McVay,
Corina Gifford

Auditors - C. Arnold Gifford
Mabel E. Macomber.

Music Com. - Marion McVay
Edward Sharples, Jr.
Theresa Gifford
Lloyd Brightman

Literature Com. George Jones, Jr.
Imogene Brightman.

Governing Board - Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
Lloyd Brightman
Edward Sharples, Jr.
George Jones, Jr. Minister.
Marian Perry.

Christian Education Committee
George Jones, Jr.
Dorothy Smith
Lloyd Brightman
Imogene Brightman
Marianna Macomber

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 15th 1953.

The Meeting records the loss by death of Sara A. Gifford an interested and helpful member of this meeting.

A report from the Committee on Ministry and Counsel recommends the following persons to become members of Westport Monthly Meeting.

Sydney Pierce
Edith Pierce
Janie B. Smith
Chester Gifford

Bonnie Pierce
Sydney Pierce Jr.
Associate Members.

The Meeting approves this report and we welcome these members to our Meeting.

A Financial report by the Treasurer records a gift of $500 from the heirs of the late Edward L. Macomber Estate for which we are very grateful.

It was approved that this sum be set aside as a Memorial Fund to the late Edward L. Macomber + Ada G. Macomber and not added to the General Treasury

Marianna Macomber reported a gift of $10 from the employees of the Houghton Estate given in memory of the late Sara A. Gifford to be added to general funds. The meeting expresses its thanks for same.

The Proposed Budget as compiled by the Finance Committee was presented to the Meeting for discussion and approval. After some consideration and discussion the Meeting agreed that the budget be brought up for adoption after the Planning Committee has a chance to meet and consider opportunities for fund raising.

The Treasurer will send $50 to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer at this time.

The business of the meeting being finished we conclude.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
by S. E. H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 15th 1953.

It was reported that the Meeting for the solemnizing of the marriage of Gloria Buhl and James B. Vetrano was held 2nd mo. 14th 1953 and the witnesses appointed by this meeting were all in attendance.

The Meeting named the following as Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 4th mo. 11th 1953 namely:–
Janie B. Smith, Elvira Chichester, Eugenie Gifford, Robert A. Gifford + Frances A. Howland.

The Statistical Report was approved by the Meeting as was the report from the Ministry and Counsel on the State of Society. These reports will be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The Planning Committee Chairman, Dorothy Smith reported that the committee had met and worked out several projects for fund raising during the year and that the committee agreed to do the best they can toward raising the funds to meet the proposed 1953 budget.

After this report was given the Meeting agreed and approved the adoption of the Budget as recommended by the Finance Committee.

A gift of $50 (fifty dollars) was gratefully accepted from members of the Houghton Family of So. Dartmouth, given to the Meeting in memory of Sara A. Gifford to be used in some way that would have pleased her.

After a suggestion had been made it was agreed by the Meeting that this money be used toward painting the Church.

In reporting for the Westport Dartmouth Council of Churches George McVay announced his resignation as President of the Council. He still remains a delegate from this meeting.

No further business we conclude to meet in 4th mo.

Frances A. Howland, by S.E.H.

State of Society.

The year 1952 for the Westport Monthly Meeting has been a momentous one. A concern of many, a minister of our own has been realized. George Jones, a quaker and a native of Indiana came to our meeting the first of June. He is a graduate of Earlham College, studied for one year at Boston University School of Theology and is now studying at Harvard Divinity School. We feel that with his guidance and from his messages we will get back to the fundamental beliefs of our Society.

It has been a year of many activities. An interested group, sponsored suppers, a pet show and a lecture to raise money for the Meeting.

The following projects have been accomplished.

(1) The interior of the parsonage, with the exception of two rooms, has been repainted.
(2) The floors were refinished.
(3) A bathroom was installed.
(4) An oil furnace was installed.
(5) An electric refrigerator was given.
(6) Two bedrooms, kitchen, study and living room have been furnished.
(7) The roof was insulated.

The Meeting supplied the paint and an interested group donated their services. The furnishings were either donated or purchased by the committee in charge from funds given by members or interested Friends.

A group of teen-age girls chaperoned by Imogene Brightman attended Yearly Meeting at Andover.

An adult study group meets weekly. The purpose of this meeting is to study the Christian Classics.

The Meeting cooperated with the Council of Churches in conducting a Vacation Bible School.

George Jones has been concerned about the lack of activity for the teen-age group and has started a meeting to be held in all probability weekly for such projects or activities as the group finds interesting. This is a very enthusiastic group which at present numbers about twenty-two teen-agers. It is hoped each member of the Meeting will make this his concern and help to promote the project.

Miss Marianna Macomber who retired this year from many years of teaching, has become an active and most helpful member.

The Meeting received a check for $500

(five hundred dollars) from the heirs of the estate of the late Edward L. Macomber in memory of Edward L. and Ada L. Macomber.

A check for fifty dollars ($50) in memory of Sara A. Gifford was received from the Houghton family and also one for ten dollars ($10) for the same reason from their employees.

Our new order of worship as recommended by Ministry and Counsel has met with the approval of the majority of our members.

While we have not canvassed the community for new members since we have felt that to do so would not be particularly meaningful either to the Meeting or to those who were added to our membership in this manner, the meeting has during the past year been encouraged by the addition of ten (10) members and eight (8) Associate members.

Lloyd Brightman is now superintendent of our Sunday School. Last fall several new teachers were appointed to the staff and with the combined efforts of all concerned our Sunday School has become more stabalized than it has been for some years past. It is the concern of the Meeting that there be more unity between the two.

Our Sunday School and our Meeting are only what we make them and only thru the combined efforts of every member can we expect to go on to a bigger and better future.

Statistical Report for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1952.

Additions:- by Birth 2; by Request 15; by Letter 1. Total additions 18.

Loss - None.

Number of Members this year 119. Namely -

Borden, Hazel F. (Assoc.)
" , Milton
" , Helen
Brownell, Elbert C.I. (Assoc.)
" , Maud
Brightman, Charles A.
" , Mildred A.
" , Lloyd A.
" , Imogene F.
" , Phyllis
Case, George (Assoc.)
Chichester, Elvira
Clark, Ruth
Columbia, Carolyn
Cook, Abraham S.
Crosby, Mabel V.
Curtis, Mahlon G.
" , Helen E.
" , Marilyn
" , Wayne (Assoc.)
Davis, John H.
" , Myra K.
Douglas, Margaret A.
Gifford, Robert A.
" , Eugenie M.
" , Stanley E.
" , Inez
" , Sandra (Assoc.)
" , Sara A.
" , C. Arnold
" , Theresa F.
" , Richard A.

Gifford, Howard W.
" , Corina M.
Gomes, Elizabeth
Hadfield, Raymond H.
" , Irene A.S.
" , Ethel A. (Assoc.)
" , Judith B. (Assoc.)
" , Don (Assoc.)
Hawkes, Sophia E.
Howland, Frances A.
" , Ruth L.
Jameson, Barbara
Lawton, Edith (Assoc.)
" , Florence M.
Le Brique, Belle (Assoc.)
Lepreau, Frank J. Jr.
" , Miriam
" , Lucy A. (Assoc.)
" , Judy B. (Assoc.)
" , Sue J. (Assoc.)
" , Frank J. III (Assoc.)
Lowden, Thais (Assoc.)
Macomber, Maj. John A.
" , Hattie F.
" , Alice A.
" , Mabel E.
" , Marianna
Marland, Ina M.
McVay, George H.
" , Marion E.
" , Virginia M. (Assoc.)
" , George H. Jr. (Assoc.)

McVay, Robert H. (Assoc.)
" , David P. (Assoc.)
Mosher, Harwood S.
" , Julia B.
" , Sherman
Mulligan, Robert E. (Assoc.)
Payne, Virginia R. (Assoc.)
Perry, Henry F.
" , Marion E.
" , John H.
" , Carol A. (Assoc.)
Petty, May S.
" , Everett H. (Assoc.)
Potter, Abram J.
" , Lynwood F. (Assoc.)
Raposa, Eleanor
Reynold, Ethel M.
Sharples, Edward
" , Winifred
" , Edward Jr.
" , Barbara A. (Assoc.)
" , Lynwood (Assoc.)
" , James (Assoc.)
Shurtleff, Eleanor R.
Simmon, Lois
" , Joan E. (Assoc.)
" , Carl H. (Assoc.)
" , Kenneth F. (Assoc.)
" , Keith P. (Assoc.)
Smith, William J.
" , Dorothy
" , Nancy J. (Assoc.)

Steinmetz, Virginia C.
Tripp, Louise B.
" , Ruth W.
" , Arthur V. Jr.
Vaphiades, Evangelos
" , Claire
" , Peter (Assoc.)
Vinton, Elizabeth S.
Wade, Eleanor,
Waite, E. Mae,
Welsh, Marian,
Weston, Evelyn.
Wing, Mary E. L.
Wood, Annie L.
" , Earl H.
" , Raymond A.
" , Harold S. (Assoc.)
" , George
" , Virginia
" , Barbara (Assoc.)
" , Marjorie (Assoc.)
Yeomans, Julia
Woodcock, Loretta.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 26, 1953.

The reports were read and approved.

The report of attendance at Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford showed all but one of our Representatives were able to attend.

There was some concern as to the procedure and order of worship in the Sunday School. The meeting agreed that the Supt. of the Sunday School and his committee work out a logical solution

The Meeting decided to have George Jones invite Russell Brooks to show his slides and give his talk at some date convenient to him.

No further business we conclude to meet in 5th mo.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk. by F.C.H.

At the regular Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends 5th mo. 17, 1953.

The reports were read and approved.

The Planning Committee reported on a project of selling souvenir plates. The meeting approved and advanced the sum of $25 to the committee to start the project.

A recommendation from the Ministry and Counsel that George Jones continue his services with us was approved. We are pleased to have him serve us and he has our confidence 100%.

A suggestion was made that possibly the Men could care for the yards this summer. Said suggestion was left to the Property Committee. The Chairman of the Property Com. brought up the matter of some confusion in the purchase of addition to and for disposal of equipment in or part of Community House Property. The Chairman was anxious that some arrangement be made with the Property Committee before final decisions or changes are made.

After some discussion it was agreed that we try to remedy this matter.

A communication was received from Ernest Ainsworth, Treasurer of Yearly Meeting for more funds. We feel that we can not contribute more at this time.

No further business we conclude to meet in 6th month.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk, by S.E.F.

At the regular Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo. 21, 1953.

Records of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth 7th mo. 11, 1953 were named as follows:-
Corina Gifford, Alice A. Macomber, Claire Vaphiades, and Frances A. Howland.

The matter of concern about Community House Property as expressed by the Chairman of the Property Committee at the May Meeting was again discussed and the clerk read a draft of notice which may be sent to organizations using Community House Property. While the letter as drafted met with the approval of the meeting it was agreed that we table the matter until September at least.

A request to be united with Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends by transfer from Minneapolis Monthly Meeting was received from Mrs. Katherine Burrell Davis together with a letter of recommendation from Minneapolis Monthly Meeting. Wesport Monthly Meeting is pleased to welcome Mrs. Katherine Davis into its fellowship and we await the formal transfere.

At the suggestion of Marianna Macomber the Meeting agreed to give to George Jones an old book which is in our collection - something which George Jones values highly, entitled Sewell's History.

George Jones expressed his thanks for this book.

It was also agreed that the old books could be moved from the Meeting-House to the Parsonage if it were desirable.

It was agreed that the Clerk send a letter of thanks to the Woman's Community Club for equipping some of the supper tables with proper supports and at the suggestion of Marion McVay the Meeting agreed to complete the project and equip the remainder of the tables with suitable props and the meeting authorized the Chairman of the Property Committee to make said purchase.

George McVay spoke for the Council of Churches requesting the use of the Community House for Daily Vacation Church School. It was granted. It was also approved that we try to make a larger contribution to the Council for its work. A special offering will be taken for this purpose.

No further business we conclude to meet again in 7th month.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk, by S. E. H.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th month, 19th.

In the absence of the clerk the meeting was led by Sophia E. Hawkes, assistant Clerk.

A report of attendance of representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting was made. Two were in attendance and two were not.

William J. Smith reported a balance of $802.42 as of June 1st. with $95.48 received from the Pet Show and $50.50 from the July Supper.

The matter of a vacation for George Jones was discussed and, at his request, the meeting granted him three weeks vacation. The committee on Ministry and Council shall decide with George Jones the exact time of his vacation.

Mabel E. Macomber spoke of the condition of the grave stones and approval was given to have them cleaned.

George McVay asked whether the Meeting was interested in taking over the Re-Sale Store that has been run for the past year by the Men's Community Club. It was decided that this decision should be left to the members of the Planning Com.

Dorothy Smith announced that the Planning Committee's next project would be a Chicken Salad Supper on Aug. 12th.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sophia E. Hawkes Asst. Clk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 16th, 1953.

Reports from June and July meetings were read and approved as corrected.

The matter of a vacation for George Jones has been satisfactorily arranged by George and the Meeting for Ministry and Counsel. He is to have a three weeks vacation Aug. 17 to Sept. 5, 1953.

Speakers have been arranged for Sunday

Aug. 23 and Sunday Aug. 30. They will be Rev. Basil Hall Aug. 23 and Robert Doyle Pastor of So. Somerset M.E. Church on Aug. 30.

A Workers' Conference was announced to be held in Poughkeepsie N.Y. Sept. 8-11. George Jones will be very pleased to attend this Conference as representing "Our Meeting."

A report from the Meeting for Ministry and Counsel expressed a concern of the Meeting to hold some type of program for the younger age group in this Meeting - below teen age - George Jones is continuing to work with the older teenagers and we are grateful for his good work.

The Ministry and Counsel also expressed a concern about the possibility of urging older teen agers whose parents are not members of this meeting to become Associate Members.

George McVay reported that the Men's Community Club had held its final meeting and stated that the Re Sale Store (a project of the Club) has been offered to "The Meeting" subject to the approval of the Planning Committee and the acceptance by the Meeting.

There was a long discussion as to the advisability of taking on this project. No decision has as yet been made.

The business of the Meeting closed with a prayer by Richard Hathaway who was our guest speaker of the morning.

No further business we conclude to meet 9th mo. 20th the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.

By S. E. H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends
9th mo. 20th.

The reports of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following members were named representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to be held in Sandwich 10th. Mo. 10th.
Corina M. Gifford, Marianna Macomber and Frances A. Howland.

A gift of $100 (one hundred) was received from Abraham S. Cook in memory of Sara A. Gifford. We are deeply grateful to Mr. Cook for this gift and at the suggestion of some of the members it was agreed that this money be added to the Fund for Painting the Meeting House.

A contribution of $200 (two hundred) was also received from the Womans Community Club in appreciation for the use of the Community House. It was also noted that the Womans Club had sent a check for payment of ½ the heat + light bill for the year.

We thank the Community Club for these contributions.

It was approved by the Meeting that we take from the table the matter of a letter to the various organizations using Church property and that we dispose of the letter and drop the matter

It was further suggested that this Meeting invite two members of the Woman Club to sit in with the Property Committee of this meeting.

After some discussion of same it was left undecided as to what procedure to follow.

George McVay reported for the Property Committee that the work on the project of cleaning up the back part of the grounds would be undertaken soon.

No further business we conclude purposing to meet 10th mo: 18th the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk by S.E.H

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends
10th mo. 18th 1953.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was also read and approved.

The representatives appointed to attend Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 10th mo. 10th all reported in attendance.

It was announced that the Yearly Meeting Minutes are here, & ready for distribution.

The resignation of Alice A. Macomber as correspondent of this Meeting was accepted. The members of the meeting thank her for her many years of service as correspondent.

The Treasurer was authorized to send $50 (fifty dollars.) to the Yearly Meeting Budget at this time.

The Meeting gratefully receives a gift of $40.00 from the Westport Chamer Music Group in appreciation for use of the Community House this past summer. We extend our sincere thanks to this group.

A communication was read from the Building Fund Committee New England Yearly Meeting seeking a donation to the Building Fund of the Five Years Meeting for the new office building in Indiana; no action was taken at this time.

The matter of this Meeting taking over the project of the Re Sale Store, as offered to us by the Mens Club was taken up again.

It is the sense of those at the Meeting that while this is a generous offer we as a Meeting are not in a position to take over such a project. We appreciate the offer however and thank the officers of the Men's Club for giving us the opportunity.

It was approved by the Meeting that Arthur V. Tripp Jr. be asked to serve as delegate to the Westport Dartmouth Council of Churches.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet in 11th month, the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk, by S.E.H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 15, 1953.

Reports of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Marianna Macomber spoke of a communication received from Jackson Butler (a former minister to this meeting and now of California). Mr. Butler conveyed his warmest greetings to the members + Friends of our Meeting and expressed his pleasure at being able to visit with us this past summer for an evening.

A communication was read regarding envelopes for Christmas contributions to the United Service Budget.

The Meeting decided we do not need the envelopes but it was suggested that maybe a contribution could be made to United Services. No decision was made.

Miss Marianna offered to send out the Calendars of Greeting to our Members and Friends if the Meeting so desired. It was approved and we thank

Marianna Macomber for her offer.

A suggestion was made concerning our contribution to the Building Fund of the Five Years Meeting and it was agreed that the Treasurer be asked to send $25. (twenty five dollars) to this fund,

A question arose regarding use of money in the Center Burial Ground Fund. It is generally believed that this Fund is solely for care of said Burial Ground. Although a few were of the opinion it may be possible to secure some of this money for general use,

It was agreed that the Treasurer be asked to submit a report of this fund and it's purpose at the next Monthly Meeting.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet again in 12th month the Lord willing.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
by S.E.H.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo. 27th 1953.

The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was accepted showing a balance of $1029.56 in the working fund.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford 1st mo. 9th 1954 were named as follows:-

Eugenie Gifford
Marianna Macomber
Sydney Pierce

It was reported by the Treasurer

that $50. had been sent to the Yearly Meeting Budget in Novemb and the Treasurer was authorized to send another $50. payment in January 1954.

At the recommendation of the Meeting for Ministry and Council the Monthly Meeting agreed to appropriate $15. at this time for the use of the Young Friends' Groups in this Meeting.

It was reported that we have been given a picture projector and sound equipment for the use of the Meeting and Sunday School. We extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Frank and Mr. Edwin Babbitt

A request from Barbara Brightman Dawson for a transfer of membership to the Old Dutch Reform Church in Kingston N.Y. was approved by the Meeting with our warm well wishes for happiness in her new found fellowship

A brief report was made of funds in the Center Burial Ground Fund. It was generally assumed that these monies are not readily available for other uses if at all.

A further report of same will be made at the next regular Monthly Meeting after a study of back records has been made.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 1st mo. 1954 the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland Clerk

Jan 1954

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 17th 1954.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer's report was accepted showing a working fund of $857.90.

The Representative to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 1st mo. 9th were unable to attend with the exception of Sydney Pierce who represented us at that time

The Nominating Committee submitted their report as follows:

Officers of Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends at Central Village for the Year 1954.

Clerk - Frances A. Howland.
Assistant Clerk - Sophia E. Hawkes.
Treasurer - William J. Smith
Assistant Treas. - Ruth S. Howland
Elders - Sophia E. Hawkes 1955
Robert A. Gifford 1955
May Pettey 1956
Corina Gifford 1956
Elvira Chichester 1957
Frank J. Lepreau 1957

Overseers -
Dorothy Smith
Eugenie Gifford
Alice A. Macomber.
Sydney G. Pierce

Property Committee
Mahlon & Helen Curtis
Edward Sharpless Sr.
Winifred Sharpless
William J. Smith
George W. McVay
C. Chester Gifford

Finance Committee -
William J. Smith
Ruth S. Howland
Frank J. Lepreau
Evangelos Vaphiades
May Litter

Statistical Committee -
Mabel E. Macomber
Marion McVay
Corinna Gifford

Auditors
C. Arnold Gifford
Mabel E. Macomber

Music Committee -
Marion McVay with power to select her own Committee.

Governing Board -
Frances A. Howland (Clerk)
George Jones Jr. minister,
Edward Sharples Jr.
Sydney G. Peirce
Delia Curtis

Christian Education Committee
George Jones Jr.
Lloyd A. Brightman
Imogene Brightman
Sydney G. Peirce
Marianna Macomber
and the teaching corps of the Sunday School.

Correspondent -
Theresa Gifford

Planning Board.
Claire Vaphiades (to select her own committee) working with the Finance Committee

This report was approved by the meeting.

A full report of money in the Center Burial Ground Fund was given from the reading of old records and from copies of original wills and bequests.

These bequests were made with a definite purpose in view - namely the upkeep and improvement of Center Burial Ground located at the head of the present Old County and Main Rds.

It is stipulated that interest only is to be used. To date this has accumulated to approximately $500. and it was thoroughly agreed and understood by the members present that this accumulation is not available for usage other than designated.

It was therefore suggested that this Meeting get busy and put this Fund to use in accordance with the wishes of the donors and at the discretion of the Overseers -

Dorothy Smith
Eugenie Gifford
Elsie A. Macomber
Sydney G. Pierce

We as a Meeting agreed something should be got toward improving conditions at the Center Burial Ground.

George Jones requested a coat rack for use at the Parsonage also the purchase of a screen for the film projector as well as a film strip machine. It was agreed there should be purchased and the Property Committee was authorized to take care of same.

A request was made for a slight amount from the Olive Tescombe Fund to purchase yarn for knitting.

As this is relief work and in accordance with the purpose of the Fund the request was granted.

No further business coming before us we conclude to meet again 3rd mo. 1954 the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 21st 1954

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Union of Church Women of Greater New Bedford was read and some of our ladies expressed the desire to become members of this group. We are glad to have our Meeting represented in this organization.

A request for membership in this Meeting was received from

Henry Aman Hudson
Virginia Austin Hudson
Henry A. Hudson Jr.

who have been affiliated with the Newton Center Congregational Church

Mary Ann Hudson
Sarah McKenna Hudson

wish to become associate members of this meeting.

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends is very happy to welcome these persons as members and we extend our sincere and heartfelt hope that they may enjoy our fellowship

The Planning Committee with Claire Vaphiades chairman report having met and drawn up plans for raising funds this year. A series of suppers has been arranged as well as a Travel Talk, Food sale and other projects.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 3rd mo. the Lord willing.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 21st 1954

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford 4th mo 1st were named as follows –

James B. Smith
Donna Gifford
Eugene Gifford
Robert Gifford

A report from Ministry & Counsel was made offering the following suggestions.

1. That an Insurance Policy be taken to cover the new film strip machine, sound movie projector and screen.

2 That more publicity should be given to the activities of this Meeting and that probably the Clerk could care for same

3 That the Meeting authorize rental of a film for Easter showing and appropriate $15.00 for same.

4 That we reaffirm our approval of the work being done with the Young People through the efforts of George Jones.

These suggestions met with the approval of the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to advance $15.00 for film rental and to pay for an Insurance policy on film equipment.

Both the Monthly Meeting and the Meeting for Ministry & Counsel do reaffirm their approval of the work being carried out with the young people of the Meeting and community through the efforts of George Jones and we request the solid support of each and every member in this matter

The Nominating committee was granted the request to appoint another member to the group of Overseers.

The letter of Transfer has been received from First Church of Newton (Congregational) for Henry A. & Virginia Hulen who have become members of this Meeting.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 4th mo. the Lord Willing.

Francis A. Howland
Clerk.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo., 18th 1954.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

After some discussion of a Financial problem arising in the Sunday School regarding location and availability of Sunday School money it was agreed that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee of this Meeting with a report of progress to be brought to the next Monthly Meeting if all other approaches in this matter fail to bring desired results.

May S. Petty requested a release as Elder of this Meeting, also as Member of the Finance Committee. We are sorry that such a request has been made and we thank May Petty for her services. The matter is referred to the Nominating Committee.

The name of Janis R. Smith was approved to be added to the Overseers.

We as a Meeting wish to express our gratitude for all the many efforts which went into making our Easter service so beautiful and inspiring.

No further business coming before us we conclude, purposing to meet in 5th mo. the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland, Clerk.
by S. E. H.

5th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends 5th mo. 16th 1954.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mabel Macomber reported for the Nominating Committee that Marianna Macomber had been named Elder to serve out the unfinished term of May Petty who resigned. The Meeting approves same.

A letter from Finley H. Perry Treasurer of Yearly Meeting was read asking that Monthly Meetings make their final contributions for the current year as soon as possible. As our regular amount has already been sent no further action was necessary with regard to this letter.

"Thank you" notes from Grace Babbitt and Edna McCormack were read. These were for flowers.

The Treasurer reported a balance in the working fund of $315.14 as of April 30.

A bequest of $1200.00 (twelve hundred dollars) to be used for upkeep of Meeting House property and grounds was received from the Estate of Sarah Gifford for which the Meeting is deeply grateful.

The sum of $100 (one hundred dollars) has been given anonymously to be used for Youth Work.

It was reported that through the efforts of Milton Borden the Sunday School treasury difficulties have been straightened out.

Approval was given to

continue the services of George Jones as our Minister for the coming year.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 6th mo. the Lord Willing

1954 6th mo.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo. 20th 1954

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at West Falmouth were named as follows -

Corinna Gifford
Chester Gifford.
Janie Smith
Frances Howland.

George Jones read a letter from Rev. Mr. Downey of No Westport in behalf of the Dartmouth-Westport Council of Churches outlining the tentative plans for Vacation Church School and asking use of the Community House for same.

After some lengthy discussion of the letter and its contents It was agreed that Westport Monthly Meeting cannot participate this year as far as teaching staff is concerned.

It was agreed that we would make a financial contribution.

After some consideration it seems that the dates as set for Church School make the use of the Community House impossible this year.

The Clerk has been instructed to convey this information to the Westport Dartmouth Council of Churches.

It was reported that Edith Peirce has been named to serve on the Finance Committee to replace May Petty who requested to be relieved of her assignment.

The Meeting agreed that George Jones be reimbursed in full for money spent for children going to Yearly Meeting.

A request was made for laying of linoleum in the gallery of Meeting House used for Sunday School rooms. Property Committee authorized to proceed with same.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet at the call of the Clerk until 7th mo 1954

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

6th mo. 27th At a special meeting called by the Clerk a copy of the Report including the information which the Clerk brought to the Westport Dartmouth Council of Churches was read to Members of the Meeting and approval was given same.

It was agreed that the

Treasurer send $25.00 (twenty-five) to the Council for Vacation Church School work.
Frances A Howland

7th mo. 18th 1954

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo. 18th 1954

Treasurer's report was read and approved showing a working fund of $502.72

The Treasurer was authorized to draw interest on these funds if needed.

The Treasurer was authorized to make monthly payments to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer as requested by Finance Committee of Yearly Meeting.

It was agreed by this Meeting that our payments be based on the same total as last year subject to change if recommended by Finance Committee and approved by Meeting.

No further business we conclude to meet at the call of the Clerk.
Frances A Howland
Clerk.

7th mo. 25th.

At a special Meeting called by the Clerk a request was made by the Womans Community Club for use of the Meeting House for presentation of a pageant sometime in August.

The Meeting gave its approval.

A request was made by the Sewing Group of the Meeting for money to buy materials for Friends Service work. It was agreed that interest from Olive Macomber Fund may be used and the Treasurer was requested to arrange for same with the chairman of the Sewing Group.

Frances A. Howland

8th mo At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 12th 1954.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. LeBeau reported for the Finance Committee as having met and drawn up a tentative budget submitted for approval of the Meeting. After some enlightenment as to various items on said budget it was agreed that the Finance Committee had given careful thought to planning same and it was approved.

The matter of clearing up the lot adjacent to the Parsonage was brought before the Meeting and George Jones reports that work on this project is underway. The Meeting gives Geo. Jones permission to secure power mower for same and to hire Mr Sharples and truck for this purpose.

A letter from Milton Hadley was read regarding a Workers Institute + Conference to be held Oct. 31 and expressing the desire to use Central Village with its facilities (Community House + Meeting House) for this purpose.

The Meeting will be glad to welcome this Institute and George Jones is to notify Milton

Valley of our interest.
No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 9th month The Lord Willing.
Frances A Howland
Clerk

9th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo. 19th 1954.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at East Sandwich 10th mo were named as follows:-

Corinna Gifford
Chester Gifford
Jennie Smith

At a request of Mrs. L. D. Flood of Drift Rd. Westport regarding property the Meeting gives the Overseers full confidence in their dealings with Mrs. Flood and authorize Overseers to secure legal advice if necessary.

It was reported that the Working Institute will be held in Central Village on Sunday Oct. 31.

The Nominating Committee was asked to work with George [illegible] in securing members to serve on Missionary Committee also Committee on Peace and Morals.

The Young Friends section of this Meeting can be very ably represented by Marian McKay.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 10th mo. The Lord Willing.

Frances A Howland
Clerk

10th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo. 17th 1954

Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given showing a Working Fund to date of $448.65. It was reported that a check of $100 ne hundred dollars) has been ceived from Mrs. Julia Yeomans with a request that half be used for George Jones' work with the Young People and half go into the general treasury of this Meeting.

The Meeting gratefully accepts this contribution and a note of appreciation will be sent to Mrs. Yeomans.

The Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting report 100% attendance

A report from the Overseers was given in regard to the Flood will. They report having met with Mrs. L. D. Flood and expect to consult Lawyer Buffinton this week in order to clarify our course of action in regard to our position in the L. D. Flood will.

A special meeting will be called for a report of the Overseers after said consultation.

George Jones spoke again of the Workers' Institute to be held here Oct. 31 1954. There will be four discussion groups namely: Missions
Youth
Peace and [illegible]
Religious Education

Each group to be under special leadership and represented by at least two delegates from the several Monthly Meetings included in the Conference.

George Jones also announced that Sydney and Edith Pierce have offered to take over the leadership of the Senior Young Friends.

The Meeting is truly grateful to Mr. & Mrs. Pierce for their interest and help in this project.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 11th mo. the Lord willing.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

10th mo. 26th. At a special meeting of Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends called 10th mo. 26th 1954.

Sydney Pierce reported for the Overseers as having met with Lawyer Buffinton of Fall River and studied the proposition made by Mrs. L. D. Flood in regard to our position in the L. D. Flood will. After some enlightenment on the question involved it was voted after recommendation that Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends take no action at this time.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

11th mo

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 21st 1954

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurers report was read and approved.

A report was made from Ministry and Counsel, regarding suggestions made through a discussion of some of the members for improving attendance at Sunday morning Worship Service. There were several suggestions presented for consideration including Family Sundays followed by Pot Luck Dinners; Youth participation in worship service; unprogrammed meetings and various other ideas all of which Ministry & Counsel have given serious thought for both value and practical application to the Meeting.

It was the sense of this Meeting that Ministry & Counsel have given the matter careful study and we are aware that the Meeting for Ministry & Counsel are doing what they can to improve both attendance and interest in the Worship service.

It was approved that a letter be sent to families and friends of the Meeting at Christmas to be included with the regular calendars which are sent.

A note of appreciation will go to Everett Cornell for his work on repairing of the shutters on the Meeting House.

George McVay brought up the matter of what to do with the old carriage sheds at the rear of the Meeting House. It was agreed that the Property Committee look into the matter and report at some future meeting.

It was recorded that the Workers' Institute was held here as planned 10th month with a good representation in each of the workers groups.

The Meeting records a visit from Thomas Bodine of West Hartford who spoke to us during the Worship Service.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 12th month the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland

12th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo. 19th 1954.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given showing $66.48 in the Youth Working Fund and $213 and some cents in the general treasury.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford 1st mo. 1955 were named as follows:-

Frances A. Howland
Edith Pierce
Virginia Hudson
Jane Smith

The Nominating Committee will report at the January meeting with a list of officers for 1955.

A letter received from Mrs. L. D. Hurd was read to the Meeting.

A gift of $5.00 (five dollars) was received from Mercy Baker for the Meeting. A note of thanks will be sent to Miss Baker.

An expression of thanks goes to the Finance Committee and George Jones for the very fine notes sent to members and friends of this Meeting.

A report of activities of the Junior Young Friends was made by Marion McVay who spoke of the Christmas work the youngsters had accomplished in refinishing used toys.

A definite advance both in work with and interest in Youth activity is noted and is greatly appreciated by the Meeting and we extend our sincere thanks to those who are acting as leaders and advisors for these groups.

It was suggested and approved that the funds for Youth work formerly allocated to George Jones be handled by Marion McVay for Juniors and Sydney and Edith Price for Senior Young Friends.

The Property Committee reported a need for certain repairs as urgent and it was agreed that as funds are available the Committee proceed.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 1st mo. 1955

The Lord Willing - Frances A. Horsfall
Clerk.

Statistical Report for the year ending 1954 Dec 31.

Additions by Birth 1 Associate 42
" by Request 0
" " letter 5 Loss - 0

Number of members to Jan. 1, 1955. — 130

Namely -
Bolden Hazel F. (Associate)
Borden Milton
Borden Helen
Brownell Elbert C. J (Assoc.) Non resident
Brownell Maud
Brightman Charles A.
Brightman Mildred A.
Brightman Lloyd A.
Brightman Imogene F.
Brightman Susan R. (Assoc.)
Brightman Phyllis non resident
Cake George Jr (Assoc.)
Chichester Elvira
Clarke Ruth non resident
Columbia Carolyn " "
Cook Abraham S. " "
Crosby Mabel V.
Curtis Mahlon G.
Curtis Helen E
Curtis Marilyn
Curtis Wayne (Assoc.)
Davis Catherine B. non resident
Davis Myra K.
Douglas Margaret A non resident
Gifford Robert A.
Gifford Eugenie M.
Gifford Stanley E.
Gifford Inez
Gifford Sandra (Assoc)
Gifford C. Arnold.
Gifford Therese F.
Gifford Richard A.
Gifford Howard W.

Gifford Chester A. C.
Gifford Corina M. deceased
Gomes Elizabeth non resident
Hadfield Raymond W. " "
Hadfield Irene A. S. " "
Hadfield Ethel A (Assoc) " "
Hadfield Judith D. (Assoc.) " "
Hadfield Don. (Assoc) " "
Hawkes Sophia
Howland Frances A.
Howland Ruth L.
Hudson Henry A.
Hudson Virginia M.
Hudson Henry A Jr.
Hudson Mary Ann (Assoc.)
Hudson Jean M. (Assoc.)
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Lepreau Frank J. III (")
Lepreau Mimi (Assoc)
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Macomber John A. non resident
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Macomber Alice A.
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Mosher Harwood S. non resident
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Mosher Sherman " "
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Payne Virginia R. (Assoc) " "
Perry Henry F
Perry Marion E.
Perry John H.
Perry Carol A (Assoc)
Pettey May S.
Pettey Everett H. (Assoc.)
Pierce Sydney G.
Pierce Edith
Pierce Bonnie (Assoc)
Pierce Sydney G. Jr. (Assoc)
Potter Abram J.
Potter Lynwood F. (Assoc)
Rapoza Eleanor
Reynolds Ethel M.
Sharples Edward
Sharples Winifred
Sharples Edward Jr.
Sharples Barbara A (Assoc)
Sharples Lynwood (Assoc)
Sharples James (Assoc)
Shurtleff Eleanor R.
Simon Lois
Simon Joan E (Assoc)
Simon Carl H (Assoc)
Simon Kenneth P. (Assoc)
Simon Keith P. (Assoc)
Smith William J.
Smith Dorothy
Smith Nancy J.
Smith Janie B.
Steinmetz Virginia C non resident
Tripp Louise B. " "
Tripp Ruth W.
Tripp Arthur V. Jr.

Vaphiades Claire
Vaphiades Evangelos
Vaphiades Peter (Assoc.)
Vinton Elizabeth S non resident.
Becker Eleanor Wade " "
Waite Ella May " "
Welch Marion " "
Weston Evelyn " "
Wing Mary E. L.
Wood Annie L.
Wood Earle H non resident
Wood Raymond A
Wood Harold S. (Assoc.)
Wood George
Wood Virginia
Wood Barbara (Assoc)
Wood Marjorie (Assoc)
Woodcock Louetta
Yeomans Julia

Jan. 1955. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st mo 1955

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved and upon suggestion by Treasurer it was agreed that $100 (one hundred dollars) of the Insurance money for Hurricane Damage be placed in a Special Repair Fund.

Two of the representatives named to Quarterly Meeting at New Bedford were unable to attend.

It was suggested and approved that two Young People of High School age be sent from this Meeting to the Seminar at Washington March 17-19. The selection of these two young people be made by Lloyd Brightman and George Jones.

The Property Committee reported progress in their plans for removal of the old sheds.

The Slate of Officers for 1955 was approved as presented by the Nominating Committee with the exception of the Planning Board.

After some discussion and thought it was believed that the Planning Board could be arranged for later.

The duties of this group are most trying and the Meeting appreciates the efforts and accomplishments of those who have served so well on this committee.

We hope that arrangements can be made for carrying on the work of this Committee so effecti

as it has been in the past.
No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 2nd mo. the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

Officers for 1955.

Clerk — Frances A. Howland.
Assistant Clerk - Edith Pierce
Treasurer — William J. Smith
Assistant Treas. - Ruth Howland.

Elders -	Sophia Hawkes	1958
	Robert A. Gifford	1958
	Marianna Macomber	1956
	Corina Gifford	1956
	Elvira Chichester	1957
	Frank J. Lepreau	1957

Overseers -
Janie B. Smith
Dorothy Smith
Eugenie Gifford
Sidney G. Pierce

Property Committee -
Edward Sharpless Jr.
Winifred Sharpless
William J. Smith
George W. McVay
Mahlon Curtis
Henry Hudson
Virginia Hudson

Finance Committee -
William J. Smith
Ruth Howland
Frank J. Lepreau.
Evangeline Whitehead.
Edith Pierce

Statistical Committee
Mabel E. Macomber
Marion McVay
Imogene Brightman.

Auditors - C. Arnold Gifford
Elvira Chichester
Music Committee. Marion McVay with power to select own committee
Governing Board of Community House -
Frances A Howland. (Clerk.)
George Jones Jr. (Minister)
Lloyd Brightman
Edward Sharples Jr.
Sydney G. Peirce
Christian Education -
George Jones Jr.
Lloyd Brightman.
Imogene Brightman.
Sydney G. Peirce
Marianna Macomber
with Sunday School Staff.
Correspondent -
Theresa Gifford.
Flower Committee -
Dorothy Smith (to choose own committee)
Peace & Social Concerns -
Sydney Peirce
Henry Hudson
Arthur Tripp Jr.
Youth Work -
Senior. Edith & Sydney Peirce
Junior - Virginia & Henry Hudson
Marion McVay
Claire Vaphiades
Frances Howland

2nd mo 1955

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 20th 1955.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved as audited.

Several communications were received and read.

Recognition was made of cash donations $5.00 each from friends of Dr. Lepper. Thanks for same go from this Meeting to Mr. Abraham Harris and Mr. Nathan Perlman of Fall River.

George Jones reported that the two Young People have been selected to attend the High School Seminar in Washington. They are Barbara Sharpless and Lois Hasson. Nancy Smith will also be one of the Young Friends attending from this Meeting. We are very pleased to have our Meeting so well represented at a forum of this type. and wish for these Young Friends a wonderful and enlightening experience.

Marion McVay reported on the Statistical Record of this Meeting. During the year 1954-1955 we have gained six new members (1 by birth and 5 from another denomination). Our present membership is 130.

We record the loss of Orrina Gifford by death 2nd mo. 6th. She was a faithful member of this Meeting serving at different times as a member of Ministry & Counsel and on the Statistical Committee as well as in other ways.

3rd mo. 1955. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 20, 1955 records of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved

Acknowledgement of contributions from Barney Gillis and Mrs Sirota funds of Dr Lepreau.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford 4th mo. were named as follows:-

Marian McVay
Sydney Pierce
George Jones
Lucy Ann Lepreau and Bonnie Pierce

The request from Daily Vacation Bible School for use of Community House was granted for July 11-22.

A recommendation was made from Ministry and Counsel that George Jones be made a member of this Meeting. We approve this recommendation and await the message from his meeting.

Ministry and Counsel reports the following

Memorial to Corinna Gifford

Westport Monthly Meeting records the passing of Corinna Gifford, an Elder in Our Meeting.

She was faithful in attendance of meetings for Worship, Business, Counsel, and also at Quarterly Meetings. She had a genuine concern for the Spiritual Life in every area of the meeting. Her place will be difficult to fill.

A copy of same is forwarded to Yearly Meeting.

The State of Society 1954-1955

Westport Monthly Meeting.

The year 1954 was not one which showed any numerical growth to speak of. Yet we believe that we have shown some growth in other dimensions.

Certain areas of work, previously regarded as tentative and experimental, are now with us a matter of course. The Meeting is fully aware of the difficulty of its problems, but instead of despairing, the problems are attacked! A feeling prevails that we are in less danger of losing even that that which we do have than previously.

Significant gains having been made in certain areas, the over all effect has been a stabilizing one. Work with our young people has been stabilized. In the case of the Senior Group, they are now under the capable supervision of a young married couple. In the case of the Junior Group responsibility is competently taken on by four or five adults! Attendance at meetings of the Senior Group averages about fifteen while attendance at the meetings of the Junior Group averages about ten. In the case of both groups we have numerous problems in the matter of program but we recognize nonetheless our responsibility to provide wholesome recreation and Christian example.

A group of ladies met regularly during the summer months and made a total of sixteen cut quilts for use in Korean hospitals. The young people collected about 40 prs. of new mittens and made candles to be sent to needy parts of the world.

Our choir has seen a better year than last and has inspired us by means of song throughout the year.

The Adult Study Group has now been in existence for two years, meeting every Sunday evening with rare exception. The group has studied various religious, philosophical, ethical and political works.

Our Sunday School is best characterized by the word "stable." We consider ourselves extremely fortunate in having a staff adequate in size and competent in ability.

The Meeting is heavily indebted to the devoted labor of the several persons who composed the Planning Committee ... the committee in our Meeting which assumed the responsibility of raising a sizable portion of our annual budget.

George Jones is serving his third year as Minister of our Meeting. During this time our understanding of the Society of Friends has increased and we recognize an influence which inspires a spirit of inquiry. We feel that this spirit is becoming shared generally in the Meeting and we note with interest that some of the earliest members of the Society of Friends were drawn from a group known as Seekers.

During the course of the year members of the Jewish, Moslem, and Roman Catholic Faiths have addressed our Meeting and met with the Adult Study Group. We believe that this has enabled us to learn by example something of tolerance and understanding.

The workshop sponsored by the Yearly Meeting and conducted at our meeting place in the fall was well attended. It was felt that this session was strengthening to the Monthly Meeting as well as to the Yearly Meeting.

It is felt that the end of the year found us spiritually stronger than its beginning and we face 1955 encouraged!

We accept this report and forward same to Quarterly Meeting. No further business we conclude to meet 4th mo. the Lord Willing.

Frances A Howland
Clerk.

4th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 24th 1955.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer announced that we have received two more funeral contributions from friends of Dr Lepreau for which we are grateful

It was suggested that the letters sent out by the Finance Committee be followed up by visitation wherever the Committee deemed it advisable after a report on the results from said letters to this meeting

The Meeting approved a contribution of $15.00 to the Equalization Fund of Yearly Meeting

George Jones spoke of a concern of Young Friends in Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to visit the U.N. in New York. The Meeting stands willing to assist in this project financially. Individuals within the Meeting are also acting as financial aids to this group.

It was reported that removal of the old sheds has been undertaken by local members and a request was made for more assistance

This Meeting has been privileged today to hear talks by
Barbara Sharples
Nancy Smith
and Lois Hassan who represented our Meeting at a

High School Seminar in Washington D.C.

All three delegates seem to have realized a kinder fellowship and broader knowledge of government procedure through this visit and they brought to us an exceptionally fine resumé of the trip.

We are pleased to have these young people growing up in Westport Monthly Meeting

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet 5th mo. the Lord Willing

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

1955
5th mo.

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends 5th mo 22nd 1955

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

A recommendation from Ministry and Counsel to appoint George Jones to serve this Meeting for another year was approved.

A request was made by the Property Committee for the purchase of a new power lawn mower. The Meeting granted the Property Committee power to take care of this matter.

Some interest was shown in resuming of Church Suppers this summer and it was planned to hold the regular Chicken Salad Supper in July under the direction of Dorothy Smith and Ruth Tripp with others assisting.

No further business we conclude to meet 6th mo.

6th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo 19th 1955

Records of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was given showing a balance of $284.90 in the working funds. A check has been received from the Treasury of the former Men's Club and is to be allocated to Youth work. It was suggested and approved that the payment for the new power mower be made from the Sarah Gifford Fund.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at Falmouth 7th mo. were named as follows: Janie Smith
Eugenie Gifford
Marion McVey
George McVey
Frances Howland.

A communication from Russell Brooks Field Secretary was read.

It was agreed by the Meeting that George Jones' expenses to Yearly Meeting be paid by the Meeting.

The Treasurer was authorized to reimburse Isabel Macomber for her loan to the Young People for the U.N. Trip.

It was approved that the Treasurer send the funds to Yearly Meeting Treasury as in the past year to the same amount.

No further business we concluded purposing to meet again 7th month or at the call of the Clerk the Lord Willing.

Frances A. Howland
Clerk.

7th mo 10th At a special Meeting of Westport Monthly Meeting called by the Clerk 7th mo. 10th 1955.

Edward Sharples and others who have a concern to work for a new organ as a Memorial to Edward L. Macomber spoke to those assembled asking sanction of the Meeting to proceed with a program of activities which will not conflict in any way with other Meeting activities and which over a range of time is expected to furnish necessary funds for said organ.

After some discussion the Committee was given approval of the Meeting. This committee is not seeking financial aid from the Treasury.

The matter of a screen door for the Parsonage was left to the Property committee.

Frances G. Howland
Clerk.

9th mo At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo 25th.

Records of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich 10th mo were named -
Frances Howland
George Jones Jr.
Marianna Macomber.
Edward Sharples Jr.

A report from Ministry and Counsel to this Meeting recommends that

George Jones be a recorded Minister. This recommendation is approved.

Permission was granted to sell the old stove at auction.

A contribution of $5.00 was received from a friend of L.D. Lepecan for which the Meeting sends thanks.

No further business we conclude to meet 10th mo. The Lord Willing.

Frances A Howland Clerk

10th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th mo 23rd. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

A request from Marilyn J. Curtis and Robert Lewis Holmes to be married in accordance with the manner of Friends and ~~under~~ at a meeting of worship on 12th mo. 25, 1955 was read and the Meeting approved and we name the following committees as required in Faith and Practise - For Marilyn J Curtis namely:- Marion McVay, Winifred Sharples and Frances Howland. For Robert L. Holmes namely:- George Jones, George McVay and Edward Sharples Jr. These committees to report at the next Monthly Meeting.

George Jones and Lloyd Brightman were designated to bring suggestions to this Meeting with reference to those who might become full or associate members.

It was approved that stationery be ordered for the Meeting and that George McVay care for same.

It was approved that we

send 5^{00} (five dollars) to the Fellowship of Reconcilliation.

The following items of business were approved.

1. An electrician shall be hired at once to make needed repairs at Parsonage
2. Property Committee to act at once on replacing back door at Community House
3. Property Committee is authorized to equip Meeting House with suitable storm windows.

Announcement was made of a speaker at this Meeting Nov. 15, 1955 He is Mr. Thomas Lung'aho and he will speak about Kenya Colony

No further business we conclude to meet 11th mo. the Lord willing.

Frances A Howland
Clerk.

11th mo At Westport Mo. Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 26th 1955. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Barbara Sharpless' request for full membership is approved

The Committee appointed 10th mo. to serve in securing information relative to the marriage of Marilyn J Carter and Robert L Holmes report to this Meeting as having fulfilled their obligation and that all is in accord with the principles of Friends and that the Meeting should solemnize this marriage as requested.

The Meeting being satisfied with this report names the following to attend the marriage which is to be held here 12th Mo. 25 1955

Marion & George McKay
Barbara & Edward Sharpless
Frank [illegible] alternate if needed.

The Property Committee report a new sink has been installed in parsonage also door in Community House replaced. Parsonage has been shingled on one side.

Edward Sharpless Jr. for the Organ Committee asked permission to turn in the old organ as a liberal allowance will be made. It was agreed that permission be granted.

George Jones and Lloyd Brightman named 11th mo. to bring suggestions for new members suggest that some program of instruction in Friends' principles be arranged for those who wish to become active or associate members. It was approved that Lloyd Brightman be Chairman of organizing such a program.

The annual calendars of greeting are to be sent from this Meeting to members and friends. Miriam [illegible] offers to address same.

We welcome Sydney & Edith Reese who are visiting with us after having moved to Orleans.

No further business we conclude to meet 12th mo. the Lord willing.

Frances Howland Clerk

12th mo. 1955 At Westport Mo. Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 15th 1955

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The Finance Committee reported as having drawn up a budget for 1956. A few changes have been made including $2200 minister's salary changed from $2000. Also $200 for Youth Work Allotment. Copies have been sent out. The budget is to be brought to the January meeting and included in the minutes.

A request from Mabel and Marianna Macomber that they be excused from serving in offices and on committees was brought to this Meeting. We regret that these two loyal members of Westport Monthly Meeting are no longer able to serve us due to physical incapacity. We are likewise sorry to lose the services of Eugene M and Robert A Gifford. The Meeting is grateful for all that these several Friends have meant to us.

The following were named as members of the nominating Committee:-

Edward Sharples Jr
Theresa Gifford
Henry Hudson Sr.

Edward Sharples Jr. George + Marion McVay and Henry Hudson were named to serve as a committee for the Heating Fund with the privilege of adding others if approved by this Meeting. Handling of this Fund shall be in charge of this committee. However any expense above $100 (one hundred) must have approval of this Meeting and all action shall be reported to and in accord with the Monthly Meeting.

Ministry and Counsel recommends that James Pilkington be a member of Westport Monthly Meeting and we are pleased to welcome James Pilkington into our Fellowship.

It was stated that the regular Christmas letters are being sent and it was suggested that the custom of sending Newsletters might be revived.

The matter of the $270. item in the 1956 budget (Minister salary) was approved by this Meeting.

In order to fill vacancies on the Committee for Ministry and Counsel the following members were asked to serve. Henry Hudson and Arthur Tripp Jr

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in New Bedford 1st mo 14 1956 are named:-

Claire Vaphiades & Janice B Smith

To serve as alternate representative to the Curtis-Holmes marriage service Frank J Lepreau was named to act as clerk pro tem if necessary.

No further business we conclude to meet 1st mo 1956. the Lord willing

Frances Howland Clerk

1st mo 8th 1956. At a special meeting 1st mo. 8th 1956

This meeting is called for the purpose of hastening preparations for a home for our refugee family - also to discuss possible available funds for this purpose. As our friends are arriving here sooner than we expected it is urgent that the Meeting be ready to receive them.

In accordance with this urgency it was approved that Henry C. Hudson named last meeting to serve on Ministry & Counsel be designated as an Overseer to replace Eugenie Tifft

After some discussion it was agreed that there was some money available from the John Macomber Fund which could be used for our refugee work and it was approved that we draw on this fund up to $100 (one hundred) if or as needed.

Requests for furnishings, & workers to help get the apartment at

Edna Leuveluck's reading for our new friends met with enthusiastic support.

It was stated that the Sunday School has made a financial contribution to this project and others deeply interested are contributing individually.

No further business we conclude to meet 1st mo regular. the Lord willing

1st mo
15th

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st mo 15th 1956

Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved

The Nominating Committee present the following slate of Officers for 1956

Clerk - Frances A Howland
Asst Clerk - Eleanor Raposa
Treasurer - William J Smith
Elders - Sophia Hawkes 1958
Frank J Lepreau 1957
Elvira Chichester 1957
Mahlon Curtis 1959
C. Arnold Gifford 1959
Arthur V. Tripp Jr 1959

Overseers
Jane B. Smith
Dorothy Smith
Henry A Hudson
Edward Sharples Jr

Property Committee
Edward Sharples Sr.
Claire Vaphiades
William J. Smith
James Pilkington
*Edith Lawe

Finance Committee
Frank J Lepreau
William J Smith
Ruth Howland

Evangelos Vaphiades
Edward Shaufler Jr.
Statistical Committee
Marion McVey
Imogene Brightman
Barbara Shaufler
Auditors C. Arnold Gifford
Lois Simon
Music committee
Marion McVey
Eleanor Rapoza
Edward Shaufler Jr
Governing Board
of Community House Frances Howland
George Jones
Lloyd Brightman
Imogene Brightman
Virginia Hudson
Christian Education
Lloyd Brightman
Imogene Brightman
Claire Vaphiades,
Sunday School Staff.
Correspondent — Theresa Gifford
Flower Committee
Dorothy Smith
Ruth Tripp
Virginia Hudson
* Edna Lovelock
Peace and Social Concerns
George Jones Jr
Henry A. Hudson,
* Edna Lovelock
Senior Youth Committee
Dr & Mrs Frank J. Lepreau
Henry & Virginia Hudson
Edward Shaufler Jr
George Jones Jr
* Mr & Mrs Hare (James & Thelma)

Junior Youth Committee

* Arthur Johnson
+ Peter Leuvelink
+ Edna Leuvelink
* Ella Philpot
George Jones Jr
Marion McVay
* Nancy Hare
Mary Hudson
+ Mrs. Albanese

Planning Committee

Winifred Sharples
Helen Curtis
Dorothy Smith
Minnie Lefrean
Marion McVay
* Adeline Godbee
+ Evelyn Norman

* These persons although not members of Westport Monthly Meeting are vitally interested in our activities and willing to serve us.

The Nominating Committee wishes the approval George Johnson's name being added to the Heating Fund Committee and Marion McVay requests to be released. The Committee now stands

Edward Sharples Jr
George McVay
Henry A Hudson
George Johnson

Communications were received and read from Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee and Mr. Alan Hadley.

It was agreed that notes of thanks should be sent to Charles Tripp, John Ritchie and David Frier for help given us in getting ready for our refugee family.

Both Mr Tripp and Mr Roberts aided in getting the home ready and David Fran furnished employment for Mr. Olejewski. We are also grateful for contributions from Bernard Gitlin and thanks has been sent.

The committee named to attend the marriage of Marilyn J Crete and Robert Lewis Holmes report the service held and in accordance with the manner of Friends on 12th mo 23rd 195 and that the committee were all in attendance.

Eleanor Kapossa agreed to serve as Assistant Clerk.

No further business we concluded purposing to meet 2nd mo 1956 the 2nd Wednesday

Frances Howland
Clerk.

2nd Mo
1956

At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo 14th 1956. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read showing a very weak balance of 28.50 in our working fund.

Frank Lepicier called a Finance committee meeting as of today. A report from Ministry and Counsel to this meeting recommends that Hazel Borden and Linwood Potter be dropped from membership roll at their own request; that Virginia Payne be dropped also as she can not be located: Harold Wood and Everett Pelley wish to remain on the roll and Nancy Smith requests full membership

This report is approved by the Meeting. A report from Peace and Social Concerns suggests that we sponsor a debate ("Non Military vs. Military Training") with properly informed persons to take part therein. This committee also suggests a Study and Discussion Group to be set up within this Meeting for the purpose of enlightenment adult adult education. The suggested material for use is "Speak Truth to Power". These projects have been approved by Ministry & Counsel, and it is now approved by this Meeting.

George McVay requested a release from serving on committees as he is away from here now. The Nominating Committee will name replacements.

George Jones spoke of the confusion in the period between the end of Sunday School and the beginning of Worship Service and it was decided that we hold a 15 minute period of organ music during this interval.

No further business we concluded to meet 2nd mo. the Lord Willing

4th mo 8th At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends postponed from 3rd mo. to 4th mo. 8th 1956

Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends notes with sympathy the passing of Alice A. Macomber a birthright Friend and long time worker in the Meeting.

Minutes of previous Meeting were read and approved.

The following were named as representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting: Francis Howland, Jane Shaw, Marianna Macomber.

A request from Ann Babbitt to use the Meeting House for her wedding on July 21, 1956 was granted.

Use of the Community House on June 9, 1956 was granted to Mrs Wendall Teenan for her daughters wedding reception.

It was also approved by the Meeting that Lorraine Wilkie be granted the use of both Meeting House and Community House for her marriage and reception April 21, 1956.

A note of "Thanks" was received from the "Macomber" Family

As the State of Society Report was not available for this Meeting it was approved that Ministry and Council members be allowed to approve and forward same to Clerk of Quarterly Meeting.

The Statistical report will be be forwarded to Clerk of Quarterly Meeting and will be included in the minutes of our next Monthly meeting.

A suggestion that the proposed debate (Non Military or military) ~~sponsored~~ scheduled by Peace & Social Concerns Committee be postponed was discussed and after various comments—no decision was reached as to what is best for now. No further business we conclude.

Francis Howland Clerk

4th mo 22nd At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 22, 1956.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved after corrections.

The representatives to Quarterly Meeting all report in attendance

The State of Society Report is received approved.

The Statistical report was also given at this time.

A concern was brought to this Meeting in regard to protesting the granting of another liquor license in Central Village area. The Meeting is agreed that we should object and Edward Sharpless Jr. is named to bring this protest before a hearing at the Town Hall. It was also approved that a letter of protest be sent to the Selectmen and that a delegation from this Meeting be present at the Hearing.

George Jones reported on the proposed debate that John Swanney would be available for our speaker. Arrangements to be worked out by Peace and Social Concerns date to be May 27.

No further business we conclude to meet 5th mo the Lord Willing

Frances C. Howland Clerk

Statistical Report
1955 - 1956.

No Members last year	130		
Additions by Certificate		1	From a Meeting
Additions by "		1	As the desire of
Loss by Death		1	
No Members this year			151
Net gain		1	

List of Members 1955

Borden Hazel F (Assoc)
Borden Milton
Borden Helen
Brownell Albert C Jr (Assoc NR)
Brownell Maud
Brightman Charles A
Brightman Mildred A
Brightman Lloyd A
Brightman Imogene F.
Brightman Susan R (Assoc)
Casey George J (Assoc)
Chichester Elvira
Clark Ruth (Non Res)
Columbia Carolyn (Non Res)
Cook Abraham (Non Res)
~~Crosby Mabel H~~ (1957)
Curtis Malcolm G
Curtis Helen
Curtis Wayne (Assoc)
Davis Catherine B (Non Res)
Davis Myra K.
Douglas Margaret A (Non Res)
Gifford Robert A
Gifford Eugene M
Gifford Stanley E
Gifford Inez
Gifford Sandra (Assoc)
Gifford C Arnold
Gifford Sharon F
Gifford Richard A
Gifford Howard W
Gifford Chester A
? Gomes Elizabeth (non res)
Hadfield Raymond
Hadfield Irene A.S.
Hadfield Ethel A (Assoc)
Hadfield Judith (Assoc)
Hadfield Don (Assoc)
Non resident
Hawkes Sophia

Holmes Marilyn (non Res)
Howland Frances A
Howland Ruth L
Hudson Henry A
Hudson Virginia
Hudson Henry Jr.
Hudson Mary (Assoc)
Hudson Jean (Assoc)
~~[illegible] George Jr~~ (1957)
Lawton Ethel (Assoc)
Lawton Florence
LeBaron Belle (Assoc non Res)
Lepreau Frank J Jr
Lepreau Miriam
Lepreau Lucy A (Assoc)
Lepreau Judy B (Assoc)
Lepreau Sue J (Assoc)
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Mosher Sherman (non res)
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Perry Henry
Perry Marion
Perry Carol A (Assoc

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~~Pierce Bernard (Assoc)~~
~~Pierce Sidney Jr (Assoc)~~
Pilkington James
Pitts Abram
Riposa Eleanor
Potter Seymour (Assoc)
? Reynolds Ethel
Sharples Edward
Sharples Winifred
~~Sharples Harold J~~
Sharples Barbara
Sharples Linwood (Assoc)
Sharples James (Assoc)
Shurtleff Eleanor
Simon Lois
Simon Joan E (Assoc)
Simon Carl H (Assoc)
Simon Kenneth P (Assoc)
Simon Keith P (Assoc)
Smith William J
Smith Dorothy
Smith Nancy
Smith Jane B
? Steinmetz Virginia (Mrs Ral)

Tripp Louise
Tripp Ruth W
Tripp Arthur V Jr
Vaphiades Evangeline
Vaphiades Claire
Vaphiades Peter (Assoc)
? Vinton Elizabeth (Powers)
? Becker Eleanor Wade
? ~~Waite Ella M.~~
? ~~Welch Marion~~
N.R. Weston Evelyn
? Wing Mary E L
Wood Annie L
Wood Earle H
Wood Raymond A
Wood Harold S (Assoc)
Wood George
Wood Virginia
Wood Barbara (Assoc
Wood Marjorie (Assoc
? Woodcock Louetta
Yeomans Julia
Brightman Phyllis

5th mo At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th mo. 21 1956.

Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was read with a balance of $174.00 for month of May

A report from Ministry + Counsel recommended that George Jones be urged to continue his work as minister of this Meeting. It was agreed by the Meeting that we should ask George Jones to serve us and that we express our realization of all the good he has done while here and reaffirm our faith in his good works.

Mahlon Curtis asked to be released from Ministry + Counsel but no decision was reached as to this request

Peace + Social Concerns brought a report of the planned debate saying that due to lack of debaters for opposition it will be probably necessary to cancel plans. Agreed that this matter be left to Peace + Social Concerns.

A report on the recent protester hearing with regard to granting of liquor license in the area was made. A large delegation from Westport Monthly Meeting were in protest of this grant being made. Due to this large opposition the request was denied

No further business we conclude to meet 6th mo Lord willing.

Frances A Howland Clerk

6th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo 17th 1956.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

The request of Mahlon Curtis to be

be released from Ministry & Counsel was granted

The matter of storm windows was brought up again and the Property Committee was asked to go ahead at once.

A List of Young Friends to attend Yearly Meeting was approved

Glen Johnson   Andrew Johnson
Richard White   James Hart
James Cabral

A request came from George Jones for a free Sunday and he will get supply speaker. Request granted.

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting at Falmouth 7th mo. 14th were named as follows George Jones   Frances Howland

No further business, we conclude to meet 7th mo the Lord willing

Frances Howland Clerk.

At a Meeting called 7th mo. 29. 1956 Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Ministry & Counsel recommends the following to become members of this Meeting! George Johnson
Ruth Johnson
Arthur Johnson
Andrew Johnson
Glen Johnson

The Monthly Meeting accepted the recommendation of the Committee on Ministry & Counsel regarding membership of George & Ruth Johnson and their children. Hope was expressed that becoming members would not diminish their interest and activity.

Tentative plans for sponsorship of a Chicken Bar-cue for the Meeting, were approved. Tentative dates were set Aug 11 & 1

A bill in the amount of $52.88 for damage done by two of our boys at Yearly Meeting having been received was presented

The Meeting feels that this responsibility should be borne by the families of the boys involved. George Jones was instructed to take this matter to the boys parents

George Jones
Clerk for day

9th mo At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo. 16th 1956

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 10th mo 13th were named
Frank J. Lepreau
Miriam Lepreau

George Jones reported having contacted parents of Richard White and James Cabral with regard to damages incurred at Yearly Meeting.

Believing that there is another boy involved the families of these two boys agree to pay two thirds of cost & it was agreed that the Meeting here send the other third hoping that things will right themselves. Another year we shall be _very careful_ in selecting our representatives.

It was agreed that this Meeting make payments to Yearly Meeting budget on a monthly plan at the present rate of $144. per year.

The meeting approved the repairs to be made in parsonage.

Further discussion of storm windows or new sash was referred back to Property Committee to act but only after consulting Treasurer. No further business we concluded.

Frances Howland

At a special Meeting called 9th mo 23rd 1956 The Meeting is called for the purpose of discussing the problems of the Youth Groups now active

The concern of those working with these groups as to the advisability of discontinuing the present set ups and reorganizing in the near future was discussed

It was the sense of those present that the adults in charge of these groups be given sanction to do whatever seems to them ~~the~~ best for the good of all concerned.

Frances A Howland Clerk.

10th mo. At the regular Monthly meeting of Friends Central Village held 10th mo. 1956.

Minutes of previous meeting were not read at this time.

The Treasurer's report was given showing an extreme low in the general funds. Geo Jones salary for two weeks has not been met. Also we are indebted to him for the amount of $150 on a past debt. Several suggestions were made as to how we can build up our funds but no decision was reached.

The Ministry & Counsel recommends to the Meeting for membership

Edna Leuvelink and

Ella Philpot.

We are united in accepting this report and welcome these members into our Meeting.

No other business we conclude to meet 11th mo. God willing

Frances Howland

Clerk

11th mo. At the regular Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo 18 1956 Minutes of the previous meeting were approved

Treasurers report shows this Meeting in in debt to Geo Jones for $150 back debt.

Letters were received from the Lynn Meeting regarding a proposed change in Mass. Legislation to read overseers and to Trustees in local meetings. Also letter from Central Advisory Committee

It was suggested that we ask Milton Hadley to join us on Sunday Dec 30 for morning worship service.

At the request of George Jones it was approved that we remove the following from Ministry & Counsel due to apparent lack of interest Arthur Tripp Jr Elder term expires 1957 and C Arnold Gifford Elder term expires 1959

A difficulty in Sunday School organization was reported. At present there is no Superintendent. Classes are carrying on separately. No help was forthcoming at this time

We conclude to meet 12th mo the Lord Willing

Frances A Howland
Clerk

12th mo. At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 16, 1956

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Representatives to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting 1st mo. 1957 were named.

Marianna Macomber
George & Ruth Johnson
Jane Smith

A report of repairs in Meetinghouse

was made amounting to $15.00. It was agreed that we try to get rid of the old mimeographs.

With regret the Meeting accepts the resignation of Edward Sharpless fr from all committees

It was approved that the Heating Fund account be over to the Treasurer of this Meeting

Geo Jones and James Pilkington were named to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Committee now composed of

Theresa Gifford Geo. Jones
Henry Hudson Sr James Pilkington

This committee should report at January meeting with names of members to serve on all committees. Also Clerk & Assistant Clerk & Treasurer & Asst. Treasurer

George Johnson was asked to serve as Superintendent of the Sunday School. The Meeting approves and we hope that Geo. Johnson will be willing to accept.

As Walton Hadley is unable to meet with us Dec. 30 it is suggested that we have a Meeting with our members taking part

Frank Lefreau & James Pilkington are asked to make arrangements for same

Ministry & Counsel recommends that all groups using Community House be careful to make reservation for same to avoid conflicting events.

A suggestion was made & approved that Mabel Crosby be dropped from our membership

No further business we conclude
[illegible] Clerk

1st mo 1957 At Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st mo. 20th 1957

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurers report was given showing $124.67 in Church Fund and $80.56 in Youth Fund. A gift of $25.00 received from Mrs Hague also $50.00 from Richard Paul. The Meeting is truly grateful.

The Nominating Committee reports as follows Officers & Committees for 1957

Clerk Edna Leuvelink
Treas. - William J Smith
Asst Treas - Ruth Howland
Recorder. Statistician - Frances Howland
Elders.

Sophia Hawkes	1958
Frank Lepreau	1958
Elvira Chichester	1959
James Pilkington	1959
Frances Howland	1960
Theresa Gifford	1960

Overseers -
James B Smith
Dorothy Smith
Henry A Hudson
Property Committee
Henry A Hudson
James Pilkington
George Johnson
C Arnold Gifford
Finance Committee
Frank Lepreau
William J Smith
Ruth Howland
James Pilkington
Henry Hudson
Auditors.
C. Arnold Gifford Miriam Lepreau
[illegible]

Music Committee
Eleanor Raposa
Ruth Johnson
Theresa Gifford
Community House Governing Board
Theresa Gifford
George Johnson
Virginia M Hudson
George Jones Jr
Cynthia Law
Bruce Boudakian
Christian Education
George Johnson Supt.
Ellen Vaphiades
Frances Howland
Edna Leuvelink
George Jones Jr
Elvira Chichester
Ella Philpot
Correspondent
Theresa Gifford
Flower Committee
Dorothy Smith
Ruth Tripp
Virginia M Hudson
Edna Leuvelink
Committee on Public Morals
Social Order
George Jones Jr
Henry A Hudson
Edna Leuvelink

This report is approved by the Meeting and these Friends will serve until successors are duly appointed.

It was also approved by the Meeting that Virginia Hudson, Ruth Johnson, Theresa Gifford & Jenni B Smith serve as a Committee to care for the interior of Meeting House and to have an oversight for [illegible]

It was also suggested and approved that each Committee report regularly to the Monthly Meeting of its concerns and activities a report to made at least quarterly.

No further business we conclude purposing to meet 2nd mo 1957 the Lord Willing.

Frances H Howland Clerk.

2nd mo. 1957 The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held Feb. 17, 1957. The minutes were read and approved.

Frank Lipman called a finance committee meeting Feb. 25, at his home.

Henry Hudson asked the meeting how to dispose of stored paper in the shed. The building committee was asked to take care of it.

There were no other committee reports and further business, the meeting adjourned to meet in March.

Edna K. [illegible].

3rd mo. The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held March 17, 1957. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the State of Society, 1956 was read by Francis Howland.

The statistical report was given

members, end of 1955 - 130
births " - 1
new members - 7
death - 1
discontinuance - 2
present membership 135 - a gain of five members in 1956.

Quarterly meeting is to be held April 13 in Somerset. Marianna Macomber, Francis Howland and Edna [illegible] were asked. Marianna suggested that next quarterly meeting be invited to meet in Westport.

Bruce and Cynthia Boudakian have expressed a desire to become members of the meeting. We welcome their interest and willing cooperation in ~~our~~ the activities of our meeting.

No further business was discussed, the meeting concluded, proposing to meet the 4th month.

6 mo. The regular monthly meeting of the Westport monthly meeting of Friends was held June 16.

A report of the food sale was given and July 7 was set for the next food sale.

George Jones was asked to attend yearly meeting. Dorothy Smith gave ten dollars and 8^{00} collected from the sale of paper was given toword the cost of attending yearly meeting.

Insurance for the meeting House has been increased 1000^{00} to cover furnishings.

The barbecue was discussed.

Mrs. Clark Whitney has expressed her ~~desire~~ interest in the meeting and ministry and council recommended inviting her to join the meeting.

The finance committee and ministry and council are working on plans to contact inactive members.

The meeting adjourned to meet again in September.

Aug. 18 - A special meeting was called by George Jones. He submitted his resignation, to be effective Monday, Sept. 9, 1957. He has accepted a call to the Smithfield Monthly meeting of Friends at Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

Ministry and Council were asked to plan for speakers for the next two weeks and various means and sources of securing a new minister were discussed.

9th month. The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly meeting of Friends was held Sept. 15.
A copy of the letter given to George Jones was submitted by Mr. Johnson.

Mr Basil Hall expressed his gratitude to the meeting for asking him to act as minister. He said further that Mrs Hall was regularly employed and that transportation in bad weather could be difficult. They both feel that they cannot make any definite plans or commitments at this time, any arrangements would be on a very temporary basis. Mr Hall said he would make inquiries at the Harvard Divinity School to contact any possible students who might be interested.

The Quarterly meeting in Sandwich, Oct. 12 will celebrate the 300th anniversary of the first meeting of Friends in America.

Marianna Macomber, Frank and Bonnie Lapman and Edna Lovelink plan to attend.

It was suggested that Frances Howland be asked to serve as superintendent of the Sunday School. A meeting for teachers in the school will be arranged.

Dorothy Smith reported that 158.85 had be made at the barbecue.

500^{00} from the Bakers [illegible] Will Fund has been received

There is 216^{00} plus in the Alice Macomber fun

Frank Lepreau and Henry Hudson will attend Allen's Neck Meeting next Sunday.

It was suggested that Jim Pilkington be asked to have the organ checked.

We adjourned, proposing to meet the 10th month.

12 mo. The regular monthly Meeting of the Westport monthly Meeting of Friends was held Dec. 15, 1957.

Marianna Macomber announced that ~~church~~ calendars had been mailed to members and Friends of the meeting.

Janey Smith ~~was~~ consented to purchase a hand sweeper for weekly brush up.

The matter of a contribution to Yearly Meeting was discussed and it was decided to increase the amount from 30.00, already sent to 50.00.

Frank Lepreau announced that Robt. Casslevey a student at Hartford Seminary, would speak to us Jan. 12.

Quarterly Meeting was announced for Jan. 11 — Marianna, Ella Philpot and Edna Leuvelink said they would attend.

Meeting was conducted by Nancy Smith, Lucy Ann Lepreau and Penny Leuvelink on Dec. 22.

Mr Johnson spoke Dec. 29

~~Marrianne~~ Macomber ~~spoke~~ January 5 ~~and~~ Lloyd Brightman, and ~~January 12~~. Robt Castevens, to speak Jan. 12.

1st mo. - The regular monthly meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held 1st month 26th ~~January 27~~, 1958.

~~The Treasurers report was given~~ Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurers report for the the period from July 12 to Dec. 31st was given and approved.

Balance in the meeting checking accont 710.13
Heating Fund 2800.00
Youth Fund
Organ Fund

It was suggested that a contribution of 60.00 be made to the meeting from the Sunday School Fund. It was approved.

A request was received from Janice Briggs to use the meeting House for her wedding, Feb. 14. It was granted.

A request for a letter of transfer of membership of Louise Brightman Tripp from the Westport meeting to the Allen's neck meeting was read.

James Pilkington gave the report for the property committee. Estimates for washing and painting the walls, cleaning of cushions, draperies and carpeting was 912.00. Checking and tuning the organ 10.00 to be taken from the organ fund.

The meeting is grateful to the men who so generously gave their time and effort to expidite the the renovating of the meeting house caused by smoke damage.

Frank Lepreau asked for a meeting of ministry and council.

No further business we conclude to meet second month -

Edna Lemmelink

3rd month 3 ~~[illegible] Eighth month~~

Treasurer's Report - Wm Smith.

First month 1, 1957 to sixth month 30, 1957.

	Income	Expense
First mo.	231.30	407.74
Second Mo.	207.57	309.04
Third Mo.	96.05	191.93
Fourth Mo.	363.92	310.12
Fifth Mo.	260.85	220.26
Sixth Mo.	408.20	287.08
	1567.89	1726.17

Balance 1st mo. 1, 1957	550.45
Income 1st - 6 mos	1567.89
	2118.34
Expenses 1st - 6 mo.	1726.17
	392.17
12 mo. checks cashed in 1st mo '57	93.29
	298.88
Bank chgs.	5.87
	293.01

Youth Fund 105.86

Seventh mo. 1, 1957 to 12th month 1, 1957

	Income	Expense
Seventh mo.	242.85	297.67
Eighth Mo.	317.21	270.94
Ninth Mo.	455.51	348.66
Tenth Mo.	264.58	30.34
Eleventh Mo.	250.00	149.01
Twelfth Mo.	282.87	139.46
	1812.92	1236.09

Balance seventh mo. 1.	293.01
Income last 6 mos.	1812.92
	2105.93
Expense last 6 mos.	1236.09
	869.84
Sixth mo. checks, July	000.00
Twelfth mo checks not cashed	51.35
	921.19

Bank chgs.	5.20
Bank Bal. 12th mo, 1957 —	915.99
Youth Fund	105.86
Organ repair Fund	100.00
Bal. in meeting checking acc.	710.13

Third month, 3. The monthly meeting of Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held third month 2. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The letter from Robt. Castevens was read, and the meeting decided to answer the letter expressing their regret of not being able to make use of his guidance.

Louis Marsteller, yearly meeting secretary, expressed the concern that we as Friends, in attempting to determine our way of worship, should seek in the Spirit, unity of Truth. This unity, not always apparent at first, develops in our constant seeking and our concern for each other.

The merits of an unprogramed meeting were considered; the sense of the meeting being that we should continue after the manner of the unprogramed method of Friends worship.

The relationship of Stanley Johnson to this meeting was discussed. It was agreed that he should continue to guide us in our worship and spiritual needs. He is planning to come week-ends until the close of school in June, and to live in Westport this summer. We have assumed the obligation to see that he has 600.00 in his bank account by September, 1958. Stanley hopes that Friends will enable him to do odd jobs in order that he may earn as much of this amount as possible.

No further business being discussed, we ended the meeting, purposing to meet fourth month.

E. Leuvelink, clerk

4th Month 13.

The Monthly Meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held 4th Month 13. The minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

It was suggested that the Clerk contact the Buildings & Grounds Committee to check Community House, turn on water & clean for May Breakfast & wedding reception.

Dorothy Smith & Frank Lepman were asked to speak to Phyllis Gould concerning her application for membership before next Monthly Meeting.

Stanley Johnson discussed the interest & concern of the Cambridge Meeting for our Meeting. Yearly Meeting 6th Month 17 at La Salle Jr. College & representatives were discussed.

Lloyd Brightman asked the meeting of their opinion concerning a dance of Young Friends to be held in the Community House May 30th. The Meeting approved.

No further business to discuss we ended the meeting purposing to meet 5th Month 5 at which time we planned a pot luck luncheon to follow Monthly Meeting.

Edna Leuvelink Clerk
(copied by Stanley Johnson)

5th Month 18

The Monthly Meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends met 5th Month 18. The minutes of the previous meeting were read & approved.

Frances Howland reported on the clearness for membership of Phyllis Gould & it was felt that she should be taken into membership at this time.

Henry Hudson reported for the Buildings & Grounds Committee. The problem discussed was the heating of the Community House. It was agreed that Henry Hudson should unearth some figures re cost of furnace & installation of same in Community House. He was to report at our next Monthly Meeting. It was further felt that a joint project should be held of the Meeting & the Women's Club in order to raise money for the furnace.

Names of representatives to Yearly Meeting - to be held 6th Month 17-22 - were brought forward. Olyve Todd was to represent our Meeting on the Religious Education Committee & Edna Lewelling & Ella Philpott were to be representatives at large.

At this time we decided to end our meeting.

This is a true report

Stanley Hinson, Secretary

6th month 15

The regular monthly meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held 6th month 15 The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was agreed to close First Day School June 15 rather than June 22 in order not to conflict with Yearly meeting. The House would be open for worship June 22.

The date for the house painting project at Lewellings was set for July 5-6, weather permitting.

Francis Hammond and Lloyd Brightman were asked to visit with Herbert Stevens concerning his letter of application for membership.

Henry Hudson reported for building and grounds committee. There were no definite prices available for heating and facilities at the community House but he felt ~~assured~~ that both will be ready when needed.

The Spagetti Supper is planned for July 12. Members and Friends will be asked to support and contribute this, the first fund raising project for the community House.

Julia Yeomans expressed a concern for the silent meeting. ~~the~~ No further business was discussed meeting concluded with a period of silence.

Edna Lemunik

7th month - 12.

The regular monthly meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends met 7th month 12th day. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. It was suggested and approved that minutes be reread as taken rather than a month later.

Lloyd Brightman and Francis Howland met with Herbert Stevens and recommend him to the meeting. The meeting approved the recommendation and welcome him to membership.

A concern for the book fund was expressed. It was suggested that individuals might make contributions of books in their possessions which might add to our collection. It was suggested and approved that five dollars per month be used for purchasing books relating to Quakerism for use by the meeting. An improved book case and a check out system for lending books was discussed. Minnie Lepine and Imogene Brightman volunteered their services.

A report on the Spagetti Supper was given and the meeting expressed its gratitude to the Brightmans for their excellent chairmanship of the committee; $75^{\underline{46}}$ was given to the heating fund.

The Buildings and grounds committee presented a plan and study for an addition and heating of the community House.

Meeting ended at this time.

Edna Lemunik

9th month 7th day.

A Special meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held ninth month 7th day.

Stanley Johnson presented his concern on attitude of members and support of our meeting. Quaker procedure in meetings and spiritual guidance should present a united group.

I - Are we continuing as Quakers? Do we show this in our attendance, testimonies, practices and in our social obligations (to town, quarterly meetings and yearly meeting, Christian Education, support of Friends Schools, work camps and the Service Committee)

II - Do we accept our responsibilities of leadership (outward and inner union)?

III - In view of silent meetings since January, what will be our present and future stand?

The following feelings were expressed in regard to these concerns.

We members of the Yearly Meeting we would observe a continuance as Quakers.

It was felt there was small numbers of young people who join the meeting after Sunday School, although the teachers have done a splendid job of quiet, peaceful education there is a lack of leadership for them in the meeting, this may be due to a lack of cooperation and coordination. It is hoped that Frances Howland would not relinquish her duties in the 1st Day School. Saturday next, interested persons will gather at the meeting house to discuss our Sunday School Problem.

Some persons expressed a desire to find ways they could make their best contribution. It is hoped that all members would ~~[illegible]~~ show a more active concern for all areas of our Friends Meeting.

The continuance of our meeting and its responsibility to the protestant community was discussed, should we support another group or make an honest endeavor to strengthen our own?

The feeling prevailed that our circle should encompass more than children of the meeting. A closely knit group was felt necessary for a successful, silent worship.

Those desiring a programed meeting, felt the need for a planned service, prayer, music and a sermon. Criteria for a successful worship was "depth of sincerity, inspiration for others, and earnest and loving guidance." Others wanted silence but not an unprogramed meeting which it was felt was not meeting the need for the community.

A meeting of Elders, Ministry & Council and interested persons was called for Tuesday next at the home of Henry Hudson to endeavor to bind our meeting together no matter what the form of service might be.

Yearly meeting dues were discussed, the Treasurer reported a little over $100^{\underline{00}}$ in the treasury. What amount was to be sent to Yearly Meeting?

The financial agreement for Stanley Johnson service for the summer was brought forth. He had worked and earned approximately $300^{\underline{00}}$ on various jobs and received only bus fare from the meeting. Frank Lepreau expressed personal gratitude for lightening corners of the Society of Friends. He hopes that quality rather than quantity would guide in making any decisions.

Stanley Johnson thanked the meeting for his ~~many~~ personal gains and growth in coming to Westport. The meeting will make up the 300^{00} for difference agreed upon in June. ...

Meeting closed with a short period of silence.

Imogene Brightman
(Recording Clerk, Protem)

9th month 20.

The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held 9th month 20.

The Buildings and Grounds committee reported that the installation of heat in the community House would be completed in October.

A letter, written to the dean of Harvard Divinity School, concerning Stanley Johnson and his work with our meeting from January to September was read and approved.

A concern for the necessity of a meeting of ministry and counsel to work out a possible compromise for our worship service was expressed. It was suggested that our members might visit and exchange speakers with other meetings in the area.

Use of the parsonage for the winter was discussed. Would the meeting sponsor a doctor for Westport? Frank Lepreau was asked to investigate any possibilities in procuring a doctor for our town. No further business to discuss, the meeting closed with a short period of silence.

Edna Lemmlink

10th month, 18

The regular monthly meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was held tenth month 18.

Ministry and Council reported that it had several suggestions to offer in planning worship service.

1.- That two meetings of the month be programed and two meetings unprogramed.

The programed meetings to be conducted by a visiting minister and one of our members who in turn might visit and speak at another meeting in exchange for a speaker from that meeting.

2.- That efforts be made to procure a minister or student minister to be shared with quarterly meeting.

Stanley Johnson offered to try to help find a student who would be interested in working in our meeting.

Herbert Stevens was asked to serve on ministry and council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Elvira Chichester.

Frank Lepreau reported that he had contacted a possible doctor for Westport but he would not be available before early summer. He also explained his interest and concern for the Polish Women the Tapia, The meeting offered financial assistance in bringing these women to Fall River for treatment.

Buildings and Grounds committee were asked to rent the parsonage for the winter.

Meeting adjourned with a short period of silence.

Edna Leuvelink

11th month, 12.

The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly meeting of Friends was held 11th month, 14.

Ministry and council recommends that monthly meeting date be changed from the second Sunday of the month, following morning meeting, to the second Wednesday of the month at 7^30 P.M. The meeting approved.

It also recommends that Burt Houseman be asked to act as minister, to conduct programed meetings for the Westport Monthly Meeting from November 30th through January 1st 1959. The recommendation was approved.

1st month, 14.

The regular meeting of the Westport Monthly meeting of Friends was held first month, 14.

The financial report was given, showing a balance of 1222.37 in the meeting funds as of Jan. 1st.

The Field Secretary of the New England Yearly Meeting (Louis Marsteller) reported on yearly meeting payment (6.20 per person).

He discussed his brief acquaintance with Philip Miller, candidate for minister for the Westport Monthly Meeting, and offered to assist the meeting at this time in any way possible.

A deep concern was expressed about undue haste in making an immediate decision in choosing a minister.

Ministry and counsel recommends that Philip Miller be asked to serve as minister for the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends beginning January 15 through July 15. He is to be paid $167.00 per month, plus housing. It recommends further that he be free to accept other employment to supplement his salary, as long as it does not interfere with his work in the meeting.

Edna Fenwick

2nd Month 25.

The regular monthly meeting of the Westport Monthly Meeting of Friends was postponed from second Wednesday to fourth Wednesday because of conflicting dates and bad weather.

A report from the nominating committee made the following recommendations for the year 1959.

Clerk - Frances Howland
Treasurer - William Smith
Asst. Treasurer - Ruth Howland
Records and Statistics - Herbert Stevens
Elders -
Lloyd Brightman - 1961
Dorothy Smith - 1961
Henry Hudson - 1961
Frances Howland - 1960
Theresa Gifford 1961
Frank Lepreau 1960
Herbert Stevens - 1959
Trustees
Dorothy Smith
James Smith
Henry Hudson
Governing Board and Property Comm.
Henry Hudson
James Pilkington
Theresa Gifford
Supt., Sunday School
Herbert Stevens
Correspondent, Edna [illegible]
Music Committee
Theresa Gifford, Sally Miller, James Pilkington
Financial Committee -
James Pilkington, Frank Lepreau, Henry Hudson, Wm Smith.
Nominating Committee
Lloyd Brightman, Frank Lepreau, Henry Hudson
Minister - Philip Miller

Trustees take place of overseers as legal custodians of church and, or meeting property and are not part of Ministry and Council.

The meeting approved these recommendations.

The meeting approved sending 50^{00} to yearly meeting at this time. It was suggested that the ~~years~~ regular ~~dues~~ payment of 6.20 per member of the meeting be sent after the list of members in our monthly meeting was definitely determined.

The property committee was asked to proceed with the sale of the space heater in the Community House for the sum of 15^{00}.

Ministry and Council will have the report on the spiritual condition of the meeting (State of Society) at the next monthly meeting, March 11.

Edna Limebeck